

*Curriculum Vitae: 2002 to present*

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**EDUCATION (Since 2002)**

Ph.D. Candidate in Philosophy, Michigan State University, expected completion date: May 2017  
MBE (Master of Bioethics), University of Pennsylvania, 2009  
B.A. in Philosophy, University of Waterloo (Ontario), 2006

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

Graduate Assistant and Instructor, Michigan State University, Department of Philosophy,  
2012-2015.  
Senior Lecturer in Philosophy, University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA. 2011  
Mathematics Department Chair and Teacher of Philosophy, Germantown Academy, Fort  
Washington, PA. 2002-2011

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION:** Veterinary Ethics, Animal Ethics, Bioethics, Pre-College  
Philosophy Instruction

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE:** Ethics, Philosophy of Science, Logic, Philosophy of Mind

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Hall-Hanna Graduate Travel Award 2014  
Michigan State University Distinguished Fellow, 2011-2016  
U.S. Presidential Scholars Teacher Recognition Award, 2011  
University of Waterloo Faculty of Arts Upper-Year Scholarship, 2006  
Appointed to Level 4, Germantown Academy Master Teacher 2004  
Kast Grant to study philosophy at Oxford University, 2003  
University of Waterloo Dean's Honor's List, 2003-2006

**PHILOSOPHY TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Michigan State University**

*Ethical Dilemmas in Government Decision Making, IAH 231, Graduate Assistant, Spring 2015*

*World Hunger, IAH 206, Graduate Assistant, Fall 2014*

*Ethical Issues in Health Care, PHL 344, Instructor, Summer 2014*

*Introduction to Philosophy, PHL 200, Instructor, Spring 2014*

*Ethical Issues in Health Care, PHL 344, Graduate Assistant, Fall 2013*

*Logic and Reasoning, PHL 130, Instructor, Spring 2013, Summer 2013*

*Ethical and Animal Welfare Issues in the Veterinary Profession, VM 513,*

Co-Instructor/Facilitator, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2014

*Logic and Reasoning, PHL 130, Graduate Assistant, Fall 2012*

### **University of the Arts**

Senior Lecturer, *Topics in Philosophy, LAPR 811, Spring 2011*

### **University of Pennsylvania**

Lead Teacher, Center for Bioethics, High School Bioethics Project, 2007-2012.

### **Germantown Academy, Master Teacher**

*Justice, Spring 2011*

*Bioethics, 2008-2011*

*The Philosophy of Religion, Summer 2004*

*Introduction to Philosophy, 2003-2008*

*The Great Conversation, Summer 2003*

### **PAPERS PRESENTED**

“A Cumulation of Considerations Argument Against Convenience Euthanasia.” College of Veterinary Medicine, Michigan State University, 23 March 2016 and Works in Progress, Department of Philosophy, Michigan State University, 24 March 2016.

“Conflict of Interest: A Game-Based Approach to Studying the Epistemic Impact of Funder Bias in Science.” With Daniel Steel and Casey O’Donnell. The Consortium for Socially Relevant Philosophy of/in Science and Engineering. Detroit, MI, 27 March 2015.

“Veterinary Medical Ethics: An Unexplored Terrain.” Medical Humanities Conference, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, 19 September 2014.

“The Role of Values and the Evaluation of Evidence in Scientific Controversies.” With Daniel Steel. National Science Teachers Association. Boston National Conference, 5 April 2014.

“A Capabilities Approach to Political Theory of Animal Rights,” Ecojustice and Activism Conference, Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI, 28 March 2014.

“Peter Singer’s Argument for Increased Aid to Those in Need,” EDGES: An Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 29 March 2013.

“Stepping on God’s Toes: The ‘Playing God’ Argument,” Medical Humanities Conference, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, 27 September 2012.

“Procreative Beneficence and Invasive Parenting,” EDGES, An Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 23 March 2012.

“Conversations with Conscientious-Objector Pharmacists,” Medical Humanities Conference, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, 29 September 2011.

“Collaborative Models for Teaching Pre-College Philosophy,” PLATO Institute, Columbia University Teachers College, New York, NY, 29 June 2011.

“Giving Students the Skills to Join the Conversation,” presented at three workshops sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania’s Center for Bioethics, Philadelphia, PA, 14 July 2009, 6 March 2010, and 24 June 2010.

“Critical Thinking and Bioethics,” Bioethics Workshop, The Peddie School, Hightstown, NJ, sponsored by the Center for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania, 21 February 2009.

“How to Introduce Bioethics into the High School Curriculum,” American Philosophical Association Meeting, Eastern Division, Philadelphia, PA, 27 December 2008.

“How Do You Think About That? Conceptual Tools for the Analysis of Problems in Neuroethics,” High School Bioethics Project Summer Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, 7 July 2008.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“A Temporary Fiction,” in *Philosophy and Education: Introducing Philosophy to Young People*, Jana Mohr Lone and Roberta Israeloff, eds. Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2012, pp. 39-43.

## **SERVICE**

Member, Haverford College Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), 2016-Present

Graduate Student Spokesperson, Michigan State University Philosophy Department, 2014-2015.

Member, Graduate Committee, Michigan State University Philosophy Department, 2012-2013, 2014-2015.

Chaired the session, “*Philebus*,” at The International Plato Society U.S. Regional Meeting, Ann Arbor, MI, 7 October, 2012.

Chaired the session “Philosophy for Young People: Curriculum, Implementation, and

Sustainability Challenges,” at the American Philosophical Association Meeting, Eastern Division, Washington, DC, 27 December 2011.

Advisory Board Member, Squire Family Foundation. The Squire Foundation promotes the teaching of philosophy, 2010.

Appointed by the Board of Officers to the American Philosophical Association’s Committee on Pre-College Instruction. Term: 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2011.

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Philosophical Association  
American Society for Bioethics and Humanities  
Society for Veterinary Medical Ethics  
American Mathematical Association

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**Born:** Philadelphia, PA, 1950.

**Family:** My wife Donna is pastor of the Ambler Mennonite Church. We have two daughters: Rebecca Calvert is a certified welder, professional engineer, and mother; Sophia Merow is a freelance writer, a frequent contributor to Mathematical Association of America publications.

**Activities:** Hiking and climbing in the Rockies, regular (futile) efforts in the gym to ward off the ravages of old age, long random walks in search of the absurd, and getting into trouble with my grandchildren.