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EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, May 2008

University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

Dissertation— *Vasubandhu's Consciousness Trilogy: Yogācāra Buddhist Process Idealism*

Dr. Bina Gupta, director of doctoral committee

MA in Philosophy, July 1994

University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

Thesis— *Roll on Dancing: Comparison and Conflict in Whitehead's Process Philosophy and Yogācāra*

Dr. Bina Gupta, director of master's thesis committee

BA in Philosophy, May 1990

Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.

Departmental honors, graduation with distinction

Dr. Margaret (Peg) Falls-Corbitt, advisor

Graduate courses in analytic philosophy taken at the Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, 1990-92.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Historical generalist with emphasis in comparative philosophy (primary Indo-Western, secondary Sino-Western)

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

History of Western philosophy, history of Eastern philosophy, logic and critical thinking, applied ethics (including medical ethics), ethical movements East and West, social and political philosophy, modernism, metaphysics, philosophy of religion

HIGHLIGHTS OF GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Topics— ethics, medical ethics, environmental ethics, Eastern ethics; social and political philosophy; logic, decision theory; epistemology, metaphysics; philosophy of religion; aesthetics; teaching of philosophy
Figures—Plato, Aristotle, Kant, Heidegger, Russell, Wittgenstein, Whitehead

Movements— British empiricism, Marxism, phenomenology, analytic philosophy; Buddhism, Advaita Vedanta

TEACHING

Columbia College, Columbia, Mo.

Lecturer, 2008-

PHIL 201- Introduction to Western Philosophy (spring 2009, spring 2010, scheduled fall 2010)

PHIL 202- Introduction to Eastern Philosophy and Religion (spring 2010, scheduled fall 2010)

PHIL 322- Early Modernism to Modernism (fall 2008)

PHIL 330- Ethics (spring 2009, fall 2009, spring 2010, scheduled fall 2010)

University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

Lecturer, 2008-

PHIL 1000- Introduction to Philosophy (fall 2008, spring 2010)

PHIL 1050H- Honors Logic and Reasoning (spring 2010)

PHIL 1100- Introduction to Ethics (spring 2009)

PHIL 1100H- Honors Introduction to Ethics (fall 2008)

University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

Graduate Instructor, 1992-95, 1997-98

PHIL 1- Introduction to Philosophy (fall 1992, spring 1993), assisting

PHIL 52- Introduction to Logic (fall 1993, spring 1994, summer 1994, fall 1994, spring 1995, fall 1997, spring 1998, summer 1998, fall 1998)

PHIL 52H- Honors Introduction to Logic (fall 1994, spring 1995, fall 1997, spring 1998, fall 1998)

Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio

Graduate Instructor, 1990-92

PHIL 101- Introduction to Philosophy (fall 1990), assisting

PHIL 150- Introduction to Logic (spring 1991, fall 1991, winter 1991-92, spring 1992), assisting

PHIL 240- Aesthetics (winter 1990-91), assisting

I am competent in the use of Blackboard course software, of which I make use in all of my classes at the University of Missouri for assignment submission, access to handouts and grades, discussion board-facilitated activities, etc.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Service Award, Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, Sept. 2000.

Donald Anderson Graduate Student Teaching Award, Graduate School, University of Missouri, April 1994.

William Gregory Graduate Fellow, University of Missouri, 1992-93.

Robert G. Shoemaker Award in Philosophy, Hendrix College, April 1990.

Isaac Andrew Campbell Poetry Prize, Hendrix College, April 1989.

Roy and Vada Wilson National Merit Scholar, Hendrix College, 1986-89.

MEMBERSHIPS

Partners in Education (Columbia College), 2009

American Academy of Religion, 2006-

American Philosophical Association, 1998-2000, 2006-

Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, 1998-2000, 2006-

International Society for Chinese Philosophy, 2007-08

Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy, 2007-08

Bertrand Russell Society, 2006-08

North American Nietzsche Society, 2006-08

Society for Philosophy and Technology, 2006-08

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Faculty adviser, Philosophy Club, Columbia College, Columbia, Mo., March 2010-

Coordinator, *Professor John H. Kultgen, Jr. Endowment in Philosophy* alumni fundraising campaign, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., spring 2007.

Coordinator, annual College of Arts and Science endowed scholarship luncheon, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., 2003-07.

Conference assistant, annual meeting of the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., September 2000.

Web site creator, Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, international, 1998-2000.

Co-creator, Padeia graduate student philosophy reading series, University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., 1997-98.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Sometimes, the Way to the Soul is Through the Gut: Aristotle, Confucius and the Practice of Empathetic Understanding," Fourth Annual Midwest Conference on Ethics, Columbia College, Columbia, Mo., May 2010.

"Sometimes, the Way to the Soul is Through the Gut: Confucius, Aristotle and the Role of Empathy in Moral Comprehension," Society for Philosophy in the Contemporary World Group Session on Moral Reasoning, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2010.

"Our Jane and *Gītā-Yoga*: Non-Gender Exclusiveness of the *Bhagavad-Gītā*," Third Annual Midwest Conference on Ethics, Columbia College, Columbia, Mo., April 2009.

"Our Jane and *Gītā-Yoga*: Non-Gender Exclusiveness of the *Bhagavad-Gītā*," Panel on Women and Asian Philosophy, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Chicago, Ill., Feb. 2009.

"The Void Galloped into Cloud Street: Wittgenstein and Mahāyāna Buddhism on Expressing Transcendental Ideals," Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy Graduate Student Panel, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, New Orleans, La., 1999.

"Tragic Empathy as a Means to Abstracting a Universal: How Confucius Compliments Aristotle's View of Tragedy," 44th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, University of Missouri, St. Louis, Mo., 1995.

"Matter and Essence," EUREKA: Third Annual Conference on Undergraduate Research, Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, 1989.

"And We Shall Call Him Wise: The World-View of the Philosopher King," Memphis State University Undergraduate Conference in Philosophy, Memphis, Tenn., 1988.

PUBLICATIONS

Indexer (German/English), *The Philosophy of Edmund Husserl: A Historical Development*, Vol. 2 by Jitendra N. Mohanty, Yale University Press (scheduled 2010).

Author, "Our Jane and *Gītā-Yoga*: Non-Gender Exclusiveness of the *Bhagavad-Gītā*" (under submission)

Indexer (German/English), *The Philosophy of Edmund Husserl: A Historical Development*, Vol. 1 by Jitendra N. Mohanty, Yale University Press, 2008.

Copy Editor, *The Impact of Telemedicine on Health Care Management*. Editors M. Nerlich and R. Kretschmer. Studies in Health Technology and Informatics Series No. 64 (IOS Press, 1999).

Indexer (transliterated Sanskrit/English), *The Disinterested Witness: A Fragment of Advaita Vedānta Phenomenology* by Bina Gupta, Northwestern University Press, 1998.

Indexer, *Neal-Schumann Authoritative Guide to Web Search Engines*, Susan Maze, David Moxley and Donna J. Smith (Neal-Schumann Publishers, 1997).

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS AND PLANNED

Presentation, "The Just Distribution of Resources Game: Teaching an Applied Allocation of Scarce Resources Problem" (in progress, under revision for intramural presentation)

Presentation, "The Ventilator Committee: Teaching an Applied Allocation of Scarce Resources Problem" (in progress, under revision for intramural presentation)

Article, "The Harvest of Tragedy: Whitehead's Two Conceptions of Evil" (under revision)

Article, "The Gentleman Ruler: Exploring the Confucian and Aristotelian Ideals" (in progress)

Exploratory articles/manuscript, *Cognitive Dissonance: an Intellectual History of the Rejection of Ideas* (working title, planned)