

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Ph.D. in Philosophy, University of California at Irvine, 1999.

M.A. in Philosophy, University of California at Irvine, 1998.

B.A. in Philosophy, *summa cum laude*. Humboldt State University, Arcata, California, 1992.

A.A. in Liberal Arts, with honors. Simon's Rock of Bard College, Great Barrington, Mass., 1989.

Areas of Interest

Areas of Specialization: Ethical Theory, Moral Psychology, Kantian Ethics.

Areas of Competence: Applied Ethics, History of Ethics, Political Philosophy, Feminist Philosophy.

Positions Held

2011 - Associate Professor, Kansas State University.

2004 - 2011. Assistant Professor, Kansas State University.

2004. Adjunct Lecturer, Chaffey Community College.

2000 - 2001. Visiting Assistant Professor, Wake Forest University.

1999 - 2000. Visiting Assistant Professor, Tufts University.

1997 - 1998. Lecturer, University of California at Irvine.

Courses Taught

Introduction to Philosophy (Philo 100)
Introduction to Moral Philosophy (Philo 130)
Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
(Philo 135)
Introduction to the University Honors Program
(DAS 189)
CAT Communities: Gender, Diversity, and
Morality (DAS 199)
Honors Introduction to Philosophy (Philo 215)

Honors Introduction to Moral Philosophy (Philo
230)
Honors Introduction to the Humanities (Philo
297)
Moral and Political Philosophy (Philo 330)
Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
(Philo 335)
Ethics (Philo 585)
Environmental Ethics (Philo 595)

Rationality and Action (Philo 650)
Ethics module of the Physics Department's
Research Experience for
Undergraduates
Independent study on free will with J. Sperman
Independent study on virtue ethics with S.
Lawver
Independent study on Aristotle with L. Wood
Independent study on Nietzsche with K. Kogl

Independent study on virtue ethics, feminism,
and human rights with N. Marcotte
Independent study on environmental ethics with
E. Mendenhall
Independent study on meta-ethics and practical
reason with B. Henke
Developing Scholars mentorship on feminist
ethics with M. McCall
Independent study on philosophy and gender
with H. Gay

Papers (peer reviewed)

Starrett, S. and **Lara, A.** "Case Study: Engineer Discovers Problem but Supervisor Wants to Ignore." Forthcoming in proceedings of the IEEE 2014 Symposium on Ethics in Engineering, Science, and Technology.

Lara, A. "Some Apparent Obstacles to Developing a Kantian Virtue Theory," *Análisis Filosófico* (2010) XXX:2.

Lara, A. "Agent-Based versus Agent-Focused Virtue Theories: A Counterproductive Distinction," *Southwest Philosophy Review* (2009) 25: 1, 199-206.

Lara, A. "Virtue Theory and Moral Facts," *Journal of Value Inquiry* (2008) 42:331-352.

Lara, A. "The Consequentialist Trap: Comments on Dunn's 'The Value of Solidarity,'" *Southwest Philosophy Review* (2005) 21: 2, 145-149.

Papers (invited)

Review of David T. Schwartz: *Consuming Choices: Ethics in a Global Consumer Age, Teaching Philosophy* (2015) 38:1, 128-132.

Presentations

"Comments on Kurt Blankschaen's 'Prostitution and the Market'"
▪ Kansas Philosophical Society Meeting, February, 2015.

Starrett, S. and **Lara, A.** "Case Study: Engineer Discovers Problem but Supervisor Wants to Ignore."
▪ Poster Session of the IEEE 2014 Symposium on Ethics in Engineering, Science, and Technology. Chicago, 2014.

Panelist. Kansas State University Honors Program Panel on Research Ethics. 2012.

Panelist. American Academy of Water Resources Engineers Panel on Engineering Ethics.
▪ Environmental and Water Resources Institute Congress, May, 2011.

Tanona, S., **Lara, A.**, Glymour, B. "What's Wrong with Framing? How Scientists' Norms of Objectivity May (But Need Not) Impede Effective Science Communication."
▪ Objectivity in Science Conference, University of British Columbia, June, 2010.

“Philosophy and Professional Ethics”

- Ethical Reasoning Workshop, Kansas State University, April, 2009.

“Agent-Based Versus Agent-Focused Virtue Theories: A Counterproductive Distinction”

- Southwestern Philosophical Society Meeting, November, 2008.

“Comments on Sean P. Walsh’s ‘Metaphysical Indeterminacy of Objective Consequentialist Theories of Right’”

- Central States Philosophical Association Meeting, October, 2006.

“Virtue Theory and Moral Facts”

- Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Filosófico, Buenos Aires, Argentina, September, 2006.

“Agent-based versus Agent-focused Virtue Theories”

- VIII Coloquio Internacional Bariloche de Filosofía, San Carlos de Bariloche, Argentina, September, 2006.

“Comments on Tim Dunn’s ‘The Value of Solidarity’”

- Southwestern Philosophical Society Meeting, November, 2004.

“Comments on Donald Marquis’ ‘Boonin’s Objections to the Future of Value Argument’”

- Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference, October, 2004.

“Two Views of Kantian Practical Reason”

- Auburn University, February, 2004.
- Kansas State University, February, 2004.

Grants

As Co-PI:

2007. Research Ethics Communications Project. B. Glymour (PI), R. Downey, O. Weaver, D. Rintoul, S. Tanona, and A. Lara (Co-PIs).

Funding Agency: NSF. Ethics Education for Scientists and Engineers Program.

Period Covered: 2007 - 2008.

Award Amount: \$100,000.

As Senior Personnel/Collaborator:

2011. REU Site: Laser-Matter Interactions on Atomic and Nanoscales. K. Corwin (PI).

Funding Agency: NSF. Physics Education and Interdisciplinary Research Program.

Period Covered: 2012-2015.

Award Amount: \$413,000.

2008. Evidence-Based Inquiry into the Distant, Remote, or Past (EIDRoP): Linking Evidence to Inference in the Kansas Science Classroom. C. Ferguson (PI).

Funding Agency: NSF. Graduate Teaching Fellows in K-12 Program.

Period Covered: 2009-2014.

Award Amount: \$2,700,000.

Fellowships

- Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship for Minorities. National Research Council, 1998 – 1999.

- Humanities Dissertation Fellowship. University of California at Irvine, Winter, 1998.
- Faculty Mentor Program Research Fellowship. University of California at Irvine, 1996 – 1997.

Awards

2013. College of Arts and Sciences William L. Stamey Teaching Award. Kansas State University.
 2012. Faculty Development Award. Kansas State University.
 2009. Faculty Development Award. Kansas State University.
 2009. College of Arts and Sciences William L. Stamey Teaching Award. Kansas State University.
 2008. Women in Engineering and Science Program Making a Difference Award Nominee. Kansas State University.
 2006. Faculty Development Award. Kansas State University.
 1997. Tappan Award for outstanding graduate student in Philosophy. University of California at Irvine.
 1995. The Franklin J. Matchette Foundation Award for excellence in teaching. University of California at Irvine.

Service

Department Service:

- Assessment Committee (2004 - 2005; 2011 -)
- Undergraduate Advising (2011 -)
- Department Website (2012 - 2014)
- Faculty Search Committee, Tenure Track (2012 - 2013)
- Faculty Search Committee, Instructor (Spring 2012)
- Ad Hoc Curriculum Revision Committee (2011)
- Chair, Administrative Assistant Search Committee (2011)
- Faculty Search Committee, Instructor (Fall 2011)
- Interim Department Head Search Committee (2011)
- Faculty Search Committee, Tenure Track (Spring 2011)
- Chair, Faculty Search Committee, Instructor (Spring 2011)
- Essay Competition Committee (2009 - 2011)
- Recruitment Committee (2004 - 2011)
- Philosophy Club Faculty Advisor (2004 - 2008)
- Administrative Assistant Search Committee (2008)
- Ad Hoc Priorities Committee (2005 - 2006)
- Faculty Search Committee, Tenure Track (2004 - 2005)

University Service:

- 2015 KSBN Selection Committee (2014 – 2015)
- Department Head Search Committee (2014)
- University Honors Council (2012 - 2015)
- Faculty Senate (2012 – 2015)
- Philosophy representative for Kansas Board of Regents Core Outcomes meeting (2010 - 2013)
- Administrative Review Committee for Assistant Dean of Arts and Sciences (2009)
- Ethical Reasoning Assessment Working Group (2008 - 2010)

Professional Service:

- Co-director, 2012 International Summer School in Political Philosophy, Istanbul, Turkey
 Co-hosted by Kansas State University and Boğaziçi University

Referee for: *Kantian Review, Journal of Philosophical Research, Science and Engineering Ethics, Southwest Philosophy Review, Journal of Value Inquiry, Philosophical Quarterly*