## Curriculum Vitae of THOMAS E. WREN

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### **Positions Held:**

1966-present — Loyola University of Chicago, Lecturer (1966), Instructor (1967-69), Assistant Professor (1969-73), Associate Professor (1973-1986), Professor (1986-present), Assistant Chair (2002-present),

1987-88 — Visiting Professor of Philosophy, California State University, Fullerton

1968 — University of Maryland at Rome, Lecturer

1967 — Northwestern University Lecturer

1969 (summer) — Lewis University, Lecturer

### Education:

Ph.D. (philosophy), Northwestern University, 1969
M.A. (philosophy), Loyola University of Chicago, 1965
M.Ed. (educational psychology), St. Mary's College (Minnesota), 1965
M.A. (English), De Paul University, 1962
B.A. *cum laude*, St. Mary's College (Minnesota), 1959

## Grants and Fellowships:

National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Seminar Director, 2002 Bogliasco Foundation Fellowship, 1999

National Endowment for the Humanities, Research Division Grant, 1980-81 Spencer Foundation Grants, 1976-77, 1979, 1990

Loyola University Research Grants, 1976-77, 1984-85, 1991-92, 1999-2000 Loyola University Special Events Grants, 1981-87, 1996-97, 2000-01, 2004 National Endowment for the Humanities, Summer Seminar Participant, 1975 Carnegie Foundation Fellowship, Summer 1972 Northwestern University Fellowships and Assistantships, 1966-68

# **Research Experience:**

1999 Bogliasco Fellow, at the Liguria Study Center, Genoa, Italy
1999, 1991-92, 1984-85 University-funded research leaves, Chicago
1976-77 Research Fellow, Warborough Trust Research Unit, Oxford University
1975 Participant in NEH Summer Seminar, University of Michigan
1972 Participant in Carnegie Summer Institute in Ethics, Notre Dame University
1971 (summer) Visiting scholar, University of Tübingen
1969 (summer) Visiting scholar, University of Freiburg, i.B.
1967-68 Oxford University (dissertation fellowship)

# **Professional Publications:**

(Publications and presentations unrelated to philosophy are not included.)

# Books:

- (Author) *Agency and Urgency: The Origin of Moral Obligation*. New York: Precedent Publishing, 1974.
- (Author) Caring about Morality: Philosophical Perspectives in Moral Psychology. London: Routledge, and Cambridge, MA: Bradford Books/MIT Press, 1991.
- (Author) *The Moral Dimensions of Strategic Planning: A Collaborative Training Project for the Staff of the Centro de Estudios Estratégicos,*. Monterrey, Mexico: Centro de Estudios Estratégicos, 2005.
- (Author) Moral Obligations: Action, Intention, and Valuation. Piscataway, NJ: Transaction Publishers, 2010. (Revised editionof Agency and Urgency)
- (Author) Navigating "Culture": A Philosophical Compass for Multicultural Education Teachers and Those Who Teach Them. (Tentative title) Manuscript submitted for publication.
- (Second author) Structures of Promise-Making and Personal Honor: The Homeric Tradition and Its Roots (with P. Karavites). Leiden: Brill, 1991

(General editor) New University Press Studies in Ethics and Society (later editions published under new series title Ethics and the Moral Sciences), Chicago: Precedent Publishing, Inc. Volumes include Skepticism and Moral Principles (ed. C. Carter, 1973); Revolution or Reform (H. Marcuse and K. Popper, 1974); Development and the Social Environment: Studies in the Philosophy and Psychology of Moral Judgment and Education (ed. G. Lind, H. Hartmann, and R. Wakenhut, 1985); Moral Dilemmas: Philosophical and Psychological Issues in the Development of Moral Reasoning (ed. C. Harding, 1985); The Ways of Desire: New Essays in Philosophical Psychology on the Concept of Wanting (ed. J. Marks, 1986).

- (Editor) *The Personal Universe: A Festschrift in Honor of John Macmurray*. New York: Humanities Press, 1975. Originally appeared as the Spring 1975 issue of *Listening*.
- (Editor) The Moral Domain: Philosophical, Psychological, and Sociological Issues in Moral Development. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1990.
- (Editor) The Moral Self (with G. Noam). Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1993.

- (Co-editor) *The Philosophy of Development* (with W. Van Haaften and M. Korthals). Dordrecht: Kluwer, 1997.
- (Co-editor) *Moral Sensibilities and Education. I: The Preschool Child* (with W. van Haaften and A.Tellings). Bemmel/London: Concorde, 1999. Spanish translation: *Sensibilidades morales y educación. I: El nino en la edad preescolar.* Barcelona: Gedisa, 1999.
- (Co-editor) *Moral Sensibilities and Education. II: The Schoolchild* (with W. van Haaften and A.Tellings). Bemmel/London: Concorde, 2000. Spanish translation: *Sensibilidades morales y educación. II: El nino en la edad escolar*. Barcelona: Gedisa, 2001.
- (Co-editor) *Moral Sensibilities and Education. III: The Adolescent* (with W. van Haaften and A.Tellings). Bemmel/London: Concorde, 2005. Spanish translation: *Sensibilidades morales y educación. III: El adolescente.* forthcoming.

### Book Chapters (authored or co-authored):

- "Obligations Towards the Dead: An Existential Deontology," in A. Kutcher (Ed.), *Philosophical Aspects of Thanatology*. New York: Columbia University Press/MSS Press, 1978.
- "The Metamotivational Function of Moral Ideals." In *Morality, Cognition, Education*. University of Konstanz Publications for Hochschulsozialisation-Bildungsbiographien und Daseinsvorstellungen von Akademikern, 1984. Also listed below under "Presentations."
- "Whistle Blowing and Loyalty to One's Friends." In W. Heffernan and T. Stroup (Eds.), *Police Ethics: Hard Choices in Law Enforcement*. New York: John Jay Press, 1985. Also listed below under "Presentations."
- "The Criminal Justice System: Keeping People and Keeping the Social Contract." *The Keeper and the Kept: Evolving Principles of Ethics of Institutional Isolation in Society.* The Loyola Mellon Lecture Series II on Justice in Chicago, 1985-86. Chicago: Loyola University, 1986.
- "The Possibility of Convergence between Moral Psychology and Metaethics." In T. Wren (Ed.), *The Moral Domain: Philosophical, Psychological, and Sociological Issues in Moral Development.* Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1990.
- "The Open-Textured Concepts of Morality and the Self." In T. Wren and G. Noam (Eds.), *The Moral Self.* Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1993.
- "Building a Better Paradigm." In T. Wren and G. Noam (Eds.), *The Moral Self.* Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1993.
- "Philosophy of Development: An Invitation" (with W. van Haaften). Introductory chapter to *Philosophy of Development*, ed. by W. Van Haaften, M. Korthals, and T. Wren). Dordrecht: Kluwer, 1997.
- "The Concepts of Culture and Multiculturalism." In P. Churchill (Ed.), *Philosophy and Multiculturalism*. New York: Humanity Press, n.d.
- "Introduction." In W. van Haaften, T. Wren, and A. Tellings (Eds.), *Moral Sensibilities and Education. I: The Young Child.* Bemmel/London: Concorde, 1999.
- "Thinking about Moral Psychology in Three Dimensions."In W. van Haaften, T. Wren, and A. Tellings (Eds.), *Moral Sensibilities and Education. I: The Young Child.* Bemmel/London: Concorde, 1999.

- "Pensar acerca de la psicología moral en tres dimensiones" (Spanish translation of previous item). Sensibilidades morales y educación. I: El nino en la edad preescolar. Barcelona: Gedisa, 1999.
- "Morality, Multiculturalism, and the Literary Imagination." In W. van Haaften, T. Wren, and A. Tellings (Eds.), *Moral Sensibilities and Education. II: The Schoolchild*. Bemmel/London: Concorde, 2000.
- "Moral, multiculturalismo, y imaginación literaria" (Spanish translation of previous item). Sensibilidades Morales y Educación: El Niño en la Edad Escolar (Barcelona: Gedisa, 2001).
- "Cultural Identity and Personal Identity: Philosophical Reflections on the Identity Discourse of Social Psychology" (with C. Mendoza). In B. Musschenga (Ed.), *Personal and Moral Identity*. Dordrecht: Kluwer, 2001. pp. 231-259.
- "Cultural Identity and Personal Identity: Philosophical Reflections on the Identity Discourse of Social Psychology" (with C. Mendoza). In D. Lapsley and D. Narvarez (Eds.), *Moral Development, Self, and Identity*. New York: Erlbaum, 2004, pp. 239-66. (Revised version of previous item)
- "The Capacity to Learn" (with Carol Wren), in R. Curren (Ed.), A Companion to the Philosophy of Education. Oxford: Blackwell's Publishing, 2003, pp. 246-59.
- "Striving To Be One: Biculturality as a Paradigm of Personal and Moral Identity" (with C. Mendoza). In W. van Haaften, A.Tellings, & T. Wren (Eds.), *Moral Sensibilities and Education. III: The Adolescent*. Bemmel/London: Concorde, 2005
- "Esforzarse ser uno: Biculturalidad como paradigma de la identidad personal y moral" (Spanish translation of previous item). *Sensibilidades morales y educación. III: El adolescente. Barcelona: Gedisa,* forthcoming.
- "Akrasia." (pp. 14-16), "Aquinas" (19-21), "Aristotle" (21-23), "Augustine" (31-33), "Categorical Imperative" (58-60), "The Good Life" (200-201), "Habituation" (206-208), and "Nicomachean Ethics" (316-318). Authored or co-authored articles in *Moral Education: A Handbook* (2 vols), ed. F. C. Power, et al., Westport, CN: Prager, 2008.
- "Philosophical Moorings." In *A Handbook for Moral and Character Education*, ed. by L. Nucci et al., C. Power and D. Narvaez, Routledge, 2008, pp. 11-27.

## Articles (authored or co-authored):

- "An Account of Ernst Bloch's Principle of Hope," *Philosophy Today* 14:4 (Winter 1970), 250-59, 272-73.
- "Is Hope a Necessary Evil? Some Misgivings about Spinoza's Metaphysical Psychology." Journal of Thought 7:2 (April 1972), 111-25.
- "Heidegger's Philosophy of History." *The Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology* 3:2 (May 1972), 181-95.
- "Leibniz's Theory of Essences." Studia Leibnitiana 4:3 (December 1972), 327-37.
- "Rightness and the Formal Levels of Action." Ethics 83:4 (July 1973), 327-37.
- "Is the Form of the Great Commandment Incompatible with its Content?" *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 5:2 (Summer 1974), 119-29.
- "Danto's Rejection of Immanent Causation." Inquiry 18 (Summer 1975), 463-69.

- "The Value of Traditions," Section 3 of "The War Between the Words: Biological Versus Social Evolution and Some Related Issues." *American Psychologist* 31:5 (May 1976), 378-380.
- "Fairness, Utility, and Survival." *Philosophy* (Cambridge), with R. Trammell, 52 (July 1977), 331-37.
- Articles in American Academic Encyclopedia. Arete Publishing Company: Princeton, N.J., 1981.
  (Article titles: "Agnosticism," "Atheism," "Existentialism," "Heidegger," "Husserl,"
  "Jaspers," "Kierkegaard," "Marcel," "Materialism," "Merleau-Ponty," "Nietzsche,"
  "Personalism," "Phenomenon," "Phenomenology," "Sartre," and "Scheler.")
- "Social Learning Theory and Morality." *Ethics* (Special issue on moral psychology) 92:3 (April 1982), 409-424.
- "Metaethical Internalism: Can Moral Beliefs Motivate?" In the *Proceedings of the American Catholic Philosophical Association* 59 (1985): 58-80. Also listed below under "Presentations."
- "The Psycho-Heresies of Rom Harré." New Ideas in Psychology 3 (Winter, 1985).
- "Principles and Moral Argumentation." Chinese Journal of Philosophy, 16 (1989): 309-15.
- "What Moral Psychology Can Tell Us," Philosophia (Belgium) 49:2 (Winter, 1992).
- "Moral Selfhood." Philosophica 50 (October, 1993).
- "De begrippen moraal en zelf in open textuur." (Dutch translation of preceding item). *Mores. Pedagogisch Tijdschrift voor morele problemen* 38 (March, 1993): 64-71.
- "Moral Agency." In R. E. Freeman and P. Werhane (Eds.), *The Dictionary of Business Ethics*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing,1996.
- "The Liberal-Communitarian Debate." In R. E. Freeman and P. Werhane (Eds.), *The Dictionary of Business Ethics*. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing,1996.
- "Response to Charles Bailey" (with W. van Haaften and M. Korthals). *Studies in Philosophy and Education: An International Quarterly* 18 (Spring, 1999): 185-187.
- "Fairness, the Pursuit of Happiness and LD/ADHD" (with Carol Wren). *Journal of Moral Education* 30 (September, 2001): 299-302.
- "Whose Values? An Analysis of the Evils of Intolerance." *The Loyola Magazine*, Spring 2002, 22-27.
- "Social Justice from the Communitarian Perspective." Just Readings: The Loyola University Chicago On-Line Social Justice Reader. February 2004, 69-82.
- "The Liberal-Communitarian Debate (updated and expanded version of 1996 version)." In R. E. Freeman and P. Werhane (Eds.), *The Blackwell Encyclopedia of Management: Business Ethics*, rev. edition. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2005.
- "Michael Slote and 'Sentimentalist Moral Education'." *Theory and Research in Education.* 8:2 (July, 2010), 163-172.

### **Book Reviews:**

Review of John Goldthwait, Value, Language, and Life, in Ethics 98 (October, 1987): 194-95.

- Review of Michael Carrithers, Steven Collins, and Steven Lukes, *The Category of the Person:* Anthropology, Philosophy, History, in Ethics 98 (October, 1987): 199.
- Review of Alan Wolfe, *Whose Keeper? Social Science and Moral Obligation*, in *Ethics* 101 (January, 1991): 674-75.

- Review of Ralf Darendorf, *The Modern Social Conflict. An Essay on the Politics of Liberty*, in *Ethics* 101 (January, 1991).
- Review of Evan Simpson, *Ethical Theory in Moral Education*, in *The Journal of Moral Education* 20 (Spring, 1991).
- Review of Owen Flanagan, Varieties of Moral Personality: Ethics and Psychological Realism, in Journal for Moral Education 20 (Fall 1991).
- Review of John Greenwood, *Relations and Representations: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Social Psychological Science*, in *Ethics* 103 (July, 1993): 867-68.
- Review of Jann Benson and Dan Lyons, *Strutting and Fretting: Standards for Self-Esteem*, in *Ethics* 104 (April, 1994): 661.
- Review of Fritz Oser, J. Dick, and J.-L. Patry, *Effective and Responsible Teaching: The New Synthesis*, in *Ethics* 104 (July, 1994): 939-40.
- Review of Allan Hannay, The Right to Self-Esteem, in Ethics 104 (October, 1994).
- Review of James Kilpatrick, *Why Johnny Can't Tell Right from Wrong*, in *Ethics* 105 (January, 1995): 458.
- Review of J. Rich and J. DiVitis, *Theories of Moral Development*, in *Ethics* 105 (October, 1996): 195-96.
- Review of Todd May, *The Moral Theory of Poststructuralism*, in *Ethics* 109 (October, 1998): 212-213.
- Review of Michele Moody-Adams, *Field Work in Familiar Places*, in *Ethics* 109 (October, 1998): 168-171.
- Review of Georg Lind, Ist Moral lehrbar? Ergebnisse der Modernen moralpsychologischen Forschung, in Ethics 111 (April, 2001): 666.
- Review of M. Hoffman, Empathy and Moral Development, in Ethics 113 (January, 2003), 417-19.
- Review of Nel Noddings, *Educating Moral People: A Caring Alternative to Character Education*, in *The International Journal for the Philosophy of Education*, forthcoming.

### Article-length Translations:

- Translation with commentary: "A Marxist's Consideration of the Story of Jacob: Election and Subjectivity," by V. Gardavsky, *Dialog: A Journal of Theology* (Lutheran) 10:2 (Spring 1971): 140-46.
- Translation with commentary: "The Continuity of History and the Existential Moment," by H.-G. Gadamer, *Philosophy Today* 16:3 (Fall 1973): 230-40.
- Translation with commentary: "Science and Dialectic," by J.-P. Sartre, *Man and World*, 9:1 (February 1976): 60-74 (with F. Bender as co-translator).

### Theses and Dissertation:

- A Textual Analysis of the Rhetoric of John Henry Cardinal Newman's "The Second Spring." Master's Thesis (English Literature). Chicago: DePaul University, 1961.
- *The Horizon of the Personal.* Master's Thesis (Education). Winona, MN: St. Mary's University, 1965.
- *Moral Obligation and the Structure of Human Action.* Ph.D. Dissertation (Philosophy). Evanston: Northwestern University, 1969.

## Presentations (excluding papers given within the Loyola Philosophy Department):

- "Egoism and Lifeboat Ethics." Paper presented in absentia at the Indian World Congress of Philosophy, New Delhi, December, 1975. Reprinted in the Conference Proceedings.
- "Martin Hoffman's Synthesis of Egoistic and Altruistic Conceptions of Behavior" (with I. Sebastian). Paper presented to the Warborough Trust Research Unit, Oxford University, November, 1976.
- "Moral Self-Indulgence." Paper presented at seminars at Oxford University and the University of London, Spring 1977.
- "Causality and Correlation Revisited." Paper presented at the Eight International Hume Conference, November 2-4, 1980, at Rutgers University.
- "Cognitive and Moral Development: Living through the Developmental Stages." Comments presented at the Loyola-Baumgarth Symposium on Ethics and Values, Loyola University Chicago, March 13, 1980. Reprinted in J. Barry, ed., *Ethics on a University Campus*. Chicago: Loyola University Press, 1980.
- "Moral Terms and Scientific Reference." Paper presented to the Center for the Interdisciplinary Study of Science and Technology, October 31, 1980, at Northwestern University.
- "Piaget on Affectivity and Morality." Paper presented at the Piaget Commemorative Conference, November 14, 1980, at Columbia University Teachers College. Portions reprinted in "Reflections on Piaget: Proceedings of the Jean Piaget Memorial Conference," ed. by J. Broughton, B. Leadbeater, and E. Amsel, *Teachers College Record* 83:2 (Winter 1981), 151-217.
- "Moral Motivation." Paper presented at a colloquium of the Northwestern University Psychology Department, December 4, 1980.
- "Second Order Motivation and Morality." Paper presented to the Society for Philosophy and Psychology, April 3, 1981, at the University of Chicago.
- "Moral Reasoning and the Reflexive Structure of Moral Motivation." Paper presented at the International Conference on Morality and Moral Development, December 17-20, 1981, at Florida International University (Miami).
- "Professional Responsibility and Police Ethics." Paper presented at the Conference on Conflicting Loyalties in the Workplace, April 2, 1982, Bentley College, Waltham, MA.
- "Whistle Blowing and Loyalty to One's Friends." Paper presented at the Institute for Criminal Justice Ethics, Annual Conference, April 22-25, 1982, at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York.
- "Commentary on Ziv Giora's 'Affect, Cognition, and Morality'." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the International Society for Political Psychology, July 15-17, at Oxford University.
- "Moral Desires." Paper presented at the MOSAIC International Conference on Moral Philosophy, Society, and Education, July 18-21, 1983, at Liverpool (UK).
- "The Purposes of Punishment." Public lecture presented as part of the National Endowment for the Humanities/Illinois Humanities Council lecture series, "The Humanities: Crime and Criminal Justice," Chicago, September 17, 1983.

- "The Metamotivational Function of Moral Ideals." Paper presented at the MOSAIC International Conference on Morality, Cognition, and Education, July 17-20, 1984, at the University of Konstanz (Germany).
- "The Possibility of Convergence Between Moral Psychology and Metaethics." Paper presented at the Second Ringberg Conference of the Max-Planck Society, Ringberg, Germany, July, 1984.
- "Conscience." Comments presented at the Colloquium on Conscience: An Interdisciplinary View, at the Internationales Forschungszentrum für Grundfragen der Wissenschaften, University of Salzburg, July 30-Aug. 1, 1984. Portions reprinted in *Conscience: An Interdisciplinary View. (Theory and Decision Library: Philosophy and Methodology of the Social Sciences),* ed. R. Weingartner and G. Zecha, New-Holland: Reidel, 1987.
- "Philosophical Principles for Moral Education of the Disabled." Paper presented as part of the Loyola-Mellon Lecture Series on Moral Education for the Handicapped, Loyola University of Chicago, April, 1984.
- "Moral Judgments and Responsibility Judgments." Paper presented at the Center for Moral Education, Harvard University, November 13, 1984.
- "Metaethics and Moral Psychology." Paper presented to the Philosophy Department, Purdue University, January, 1985.
- "Metaethical Internalism: Can Moral Beliefs Motivate?" Invited address to the American Catholic Philosophical Association, Milwaukee, April, 1985. Published in the *Proceedings of the ACPA* (1985) as noted above.
- "Moral Responsibility." Paper presented to the Society for Value Inquiry, Boston, December, 1986.
- "Moral Virtues and Moral Education." Paper presented at the Conference on Virtues and Moral Philosophy, San Diego, February, 1986.
- "The Keeper and the Kept: A Philosophical View." Paper presented at the 1986 Loyola University Criminal Justice Conference, March, 1986. Revised version published as noted above.
- "World Views, Subjectivity, and Objectivity." Paper presented at the Symposium on Natural Philosophy and Education, held at the American Educational Research Association convention, San Francisco, April, 1986.
- "Metaethics and Moral Psychology." Paper presented to the Philosophy Department, University of Konstanz, Germany, June, 1986.
- "Metaethics, Moral Psychology, and Moral Education." Paper presented to the Institut Pedagogique, University of Fribourg, Switzerland, June, 1986.
- "Moral Objectivity and Moral Development: A Response to Boyd." Comments presented at the Morality Colloquium of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Bath, England, June, 1986.
- "On Lawrence Thomas's Philosophy of Altruism." Comments presented at the Association for Moral Education, University of Illinois at Chicago, November, 1986.
- "Moral Responsibility." Paper presented to the Society for Value Inquiry, Boston, December, 1986.
- "Moral Theory and Empirical Research." Paper presented to the Philosophy Colloquium, California State University, Fullerton, October, 1987.

- "Some Philosophical and Psychological Reconsiderations of the Nature of Moral Reasoning." Paper presented at the American Association for Moral Education, Harvard University, November, 1987.
- "Psychological Theories and Educational Practices Concerning the Learning Disabled." Paper presented to the Society for the Philosophy of Education, Portland, OR, March, 1988.
- "Reply to Trianowski on Natural Virtue." Paper presented to the American Philosophical Association, Portland, OR, March, 1988.
- "Philosophical Presuppositions in the Cognitive Developmental Theories of Personal Autonomy." Paper presented to the International Society for Political Psychology, Seacaucus, NJ, July, 1988.
- "Equity and Education: Reply to Louch." Paper presented to the Society for the Philosophy of Education, Berkeley, CA, March, 1989.
- "Cross-Cultural Features of Moral Reasons and Moral Reasoning." Paper presented at the International Conference on Moral Values and Moral Reasoning in Chinese Societies, at the Chinese Academy (Academia Sinica), Taiwan, May, 1989. Proceedings published by the International Council of Psychologists and the Chinese Culture University, Taipei.
- "Democracy, Education, and Normative Reasoning: Reply to Gross." Paper presented to the Midwest Society for the Philosophy of Education, Chicago, November, 1989.
- "The Uses and Abuses of Morality Measurement." Paper presented to the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Boston, April, 1990.
- "Moral Reasons and the Moral Life." Paper presented to the Moral Education Conference of the Association for Theater in Higher Education, Chicago, August, 1990.
- "The Is-Ought Question in Moral Psychology." Paper presented to the Hastings Center, New York, December, 1990.
- "Autonomy and Selfhood." Paper presented at the MOSAIC International Conference on Morality, Cognition, and Education, July 15-18, 1991, University of Bradford, U.K.
- "John Macmurray's Personalist Philosophy." Paper presented to the Macmurray Society Conference, Marquette University, October 20, 1991.
- "The Goods We Live By: Justice in a Multi-cultural World." Paper presented at the conference on Justice and Love, Brock University (Canada), February 11-13, 1993.
- "Coercion and Assessment." Paper presented as part of a three-way panel on the Ethics of Assessment sponsored by the Association for Philosophy of Education, Atlanta, December 1993.
- "Philosophical Issues in Multicultural Education." Paper presented to the Northwestern University School of Education and Social Policy, May 11, 1994.
- "The Concept of Culture: Four Levels of Meaning." Paper presented at the Conference on Philosophy and Cultural Diversity, Colorado, August 15-21, 1994.
- "Thinking about Moral Psychology in Three Dimensions." Paper presented at the International Conference on Moral Psychology and Education, at Nijmegen (Netherlands), June 22-25, 1995.
- "On the Alleged Incommensurability of Moral Cultures." Paper presented to the Association for Moral Education, New York, November 16-18, 1995.
- "Charles Taylor's Philosophy of Political Recognition." Paper presented at the University of Nijmegen (Netherlands), March 10, 1996.

- "Moral and Other Sorts of Meanings in Literature." Paper presented at the Morality and the Arts Conference, Loyola University, Rome (Italy), April 14, 1997.
- "The Moral Uses and Abuses of Literature: The Nussbaum-Posner Debate." Paper presented at the Illinois Philosophical Association, Bloomington, IL, November 14, 1997.
- "Multicultural Literature and Moral Education." Paper presented at the conference on Moral Education in a Diverse Society, Duke University, Durham, NC, February 21, 1998.
- "Children's Moral Sensibilities." Paper presented at a conference on "Moral Development in Children," Ripon College, Ripon, WI, March 27-28, 1998.
- "Morality, Multiculturalism, and the Literary Imagination." Paper presented at the Conference on Moral Sensibility and Education, at Nijmegen (Netherlands), June 25-27, 1998.
- "Morality and Cultural Identity." Paper presented at the International Meeting of the Moral and Social Action Interdisciplinary Colloquium, at the University of Konstanz (Germany), July 10-23, 1998.
- "Moral and Personal Identity." Reply to Jan Bransen, at the "International Expert Seminar on Moral Identity and Personal Identity," at the Free University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, January 12-14, 1999.
- "Beyond Tolerance." Paper delivered at the conference "La Habilidad para la Interacción democrática," at the Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico, March 20, 1999.
- "Multicultural Education: Alienation Machine or Ennobling Discourse?" Paper delivered at "The University Machine: Alienation in Higher Education" philosophy conference at California State University, Fullerton, March 21-23, 2000.
- "Moral Readiness and Personal Identity." Paper delivered in a symposium on Augusto Blasi, at the Association for Moral Education, Vancouver, October 23, 2001.
- "The Role of Ethics Education." Presentation made to an administrative panel at the Technological Institute of Monterrey, May 2, 2002.
- "Education in a Pluralist Society." Lecture given at the Ethics Across the Curriculum Workshops in Chicago (May 27, 2002) and Monterrey (December 3, 2002).
- "Ethics and Literature," "Business Ethics," "Social Justice and Human Rights." Three lectures given at the Ethics Across the Curriculum Workshops in Monterrey (December 4-8, 2002).
- "Relativism" and "Social Justice and Human Rights." Two lectures given at the Ethics Across the Curriculum Workshops at Queretaro (Mexico), June 2003.
- "Is a Globalization Ethics Possible?" Videconference (with D. Heyck), May 9, 2003.
- "Machiavelli." Two lectures presented to philosophy graduate students at the Technical Institute of Monterrey at the Monterrey Campus (November 3-4, 2003) and the Mexico City Campus (November 6-7, 2003).
- "Democracy as Culture" Four Lectures presented to philosophy graduate students at the Technical Institute of Monterrey, Mexico City Campus, May 17-19, 2004 (Lecture titles: 1. Liberalism; 2. Communitarianism; 3. Culture; 4. Democracy)
- "Ethics and Literature," "Construction of the Moral Self," and "Principled Ethics and Narrative Ethics." Lectures given at the Ethics Across the Curriculum Workshops at the Technical Institute of Monterrey, Estado de Mexico Campus, June 2004.
- "Ethics," Radio broadcast on WJJG, Chicago, September 17, 2004.
- "What are the Moral Foundations and Outer Limits of Citizenship?" Videoconference (with D. Ingram), November 15, 2004.

- "Moral Development, and Moral Citizenship." Paper presented at the UNESCO conference on Etica Ciudadana y Educación (Ethics, Citizenship, and Education), hosted by the Autonomous University of New León, Mexico, June 27-29, 2005.
- "Two Philosophical Approaches to Immigration." Paper presented to the Panel on Comprehensive Immigration Reform, Loyola University Chicago, April 20, 2006.
- "The Concept of Culture in Multicultural Education." Paper presented at the Association for Moral Education, University of Fribourg (Switzerland), July 7, 2006.
- "Courage and Practical Reason." Paper presented at the Kolloquium für Moral- und Demokratiepsychologie, University of Konstanz, December 12, 2007.
- "Civic Virtue Is Not Enough." Paper presented at the University of Bath, UK, July 4, 2008
- "Can Citizenship Be Taught?" Paper presented at the "Symposium on New Challenges of Moral and Democratic Education," held as part of a joint session of the Konstanz Research Conference "Can Morality Be Taught?" and the MOSAIC Society for Moral Education, July 27-31, in Konstanz, Germany.
- "Challenges and Opportunities Facing Africa Today: Microfinance And Development." Paper presented at the Globalization for the Common Good 8th Annual Conference, held at Loyola University Chicago, June 2, 2009.
- "New Challenges of Moral and Democratic Education." Paper presented at the keynote symposium at the "Can Morality be Taught? Is it a Competence?" conference held at the University of Konstanz (Germany), July 27-31 July, 2009.
- "Constructions of Culture" and "Civic Engagement." Two lectures presented at the Pädagogische Hochschule Freiburg (Germany), November 16, 2009.