

Curriculum Vitae of Ronald J. Bombardi, B.A., Ph.D.

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University Education: Marquette University, Milwaukee, 1975-84
Le Moyne College, Syracuse, 1970-72 & 1974-75

Degrees and Awards: Ph.D. (Marquette University), 1984
Arthur J. Schmitt Fellowship, 1978-79
Marquette University Fellowship, 1977-78
Commencement Honors in Philosophy Award, 1975
B.A. (Le Moyne College), 1975

Teaching Experience: Professor of Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University, 1997- .
Courses: Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Science, Advanced Formal Logic, Asian Thought, History of Modern Philosophy, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Music, History of Ancient and Mediaeval Philosophy, Introduction to Philosophy, Elementary Logic and Critical Thinking, Great Books of Western Culture, Perspectives on Science and Math.
Associate Professor of Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University, 1991-97.
Courses: Philosophy of Science, Advanced Formal Logic, Asian Thought, History of Modern Philosophy, History of Ancient and Mediaeval Philosophy, Elementary Logic and Critical Thinking, Introduction to Philosophy, Aesthetics, Great Books of Western Culture.
Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Middle Tennessee State University, 1984-91.
Courses: Philosophy of Science, Advanced Formal Logic, Asian Thought, History of Modern Philosophy, Elementary Logic and Critical Thinking, Introduction to Philosophy, Aesthetics, Great Books of Western Culture.
Instructor of Continuing Education, Middle Tennessee State University, 1985- .
Courses: LSAT Review, GRE Preparation.
Instructor of Philosophy, Marquette University, 1979-84.
Courses: Introduction to Logic, Symbolic Logic, Introduction to Philosophy.

Areas of Specialization: Philosophy of Mind, Philosophies of Language and Logic, Philosophy of Science, History of Early Modern Philosophy

Languages: Latin (good reading ability), French (good reading ability), German (fair reading ability), Italian (fair reading ability).

Dissertation: *Empirical Science and the Foundations of Clinical Psychology*

Professional Organizations: American Philosophical Association
Philosophy of Science Association
Tennessee Philosophical Association

Research (Articles, Lectures, Projects, etc.):

- Book chapter: "On the Neurobiology of Truth" (in *Origins of Mind*, L. Swan, ed., Springer-Verlag, forthcoming).
- Invited encyclopedia article: "Self-Deception" (in *The New Catholic Encyclopedia*, R. Fastiggi, ed., forthcoming).
- Book chapter: "Whose Blues? Class, Race, and Gender in American Vernacular Music" (in *Blues: Philosophy for Everyone*, Fairweather and Steinberg, eds., Sussex, UK: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012, pp. 191-202).
- Formal Presentation: "Does Bell's Theorem Imply Metaphysical Realism" (Conference on Defending Realism, Metaphysical and Epistemological, Urbino, Italy, 20-22 June 2011. *Conference Proceedings*, Ontos Verlag, forthcoming).
- Formal presentation: "Baseball, Ballet, & Botox: An Inquiry into the Ethics of Doping" (Baseball in Literature & Culture Conference, Middle Tennessee State University, 04/11).
- Invited lecture: "Eviscerating the Virtues: Accountability and the Diminution of Moral Integrity," (Columbia State Community College Lyceum Lecture Series, 04/11).
- Formal presentation: "Logic and Mysticism in the Philosophy of American Baseball" (Baseball in Literature & Culture Conference, Middle Tennessee State University, 03/10).
- Formal presentation: "Does Bell's Theorem Imply Metaphysical Realism?" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 11/09).
- Formal presentation: "On the Neurobiology of Truth" (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University, 04/08).
- Invited lecture: "Thematic Presuppositions and the Development of Scientific Rationality" (Chemistry Seminar Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University, 11/01).
- Book Project: *Communism and Enlightenment: American Shakerism and the Reinvention of Ordinary Life*. (in progress; begun Fall 2000).
- Journal referee: *Dialogue: The Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (two reviews of articles pertaining to the History of Early Modern Philosophy). Spring 1999.
- World Wide Web Hypertext Edition of Spinoza's *Ethics*. (Fall 1999). See: <http://www.mtsu.edu/~rbombard/RB/Spinoza/ethica-front.html>
- Formal presentation: "On Edwards' 'Dennett's Intentional Strategy'" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 11/99).
- Formal presentation: "Logic and Mysticism in the Philosophy of American Baseball," (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University, 03/99).

- Formal presentation, "On Kimball's 'The Origin of Representational Content in Descartes' Third Meditation Cosmological Argument'" (Mid-South Philosophy Conference, 02/98).
- Formal presentation: "On Jeffrey's Bernstein's 'Self'-Knowledge as the Concomitance of Freedom and Necessity in Spinoza's Thought'" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 11/97).
- Formal presentation, "On McKinney's 'Exploring the Technological Essence of Science'" (Mid-South Philosophy Conference, 02/97).
- Article under Research: "Darwin, Dreams, and Descartes."
- Article: "Review of *Oromo Wisdom Literature*" in *The Journal of Oromo Studies*, Vol. III, Nos. 1&2: Winter/Summer 1996 [ISSN 1070-22-2], pp. 69-71.
- Formal presentation: "On Magada-Ward's 'Embodied Knowers and Fecund World: The Case for a Pragmaticist Feminist Philosophy of Science'" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 11/95).
- Article: "The Education of Searle's Demon," published in *Idealistic Studies*, Winter 1993 (Vol. 23, No. 1).
- Formal presentation: "Subjects and Subjunctives: Authority, Determinism, and the Grammar of Freedom" (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University, 01/93).
- Article draft: "Parallelism and Complementarity Revisited: The Case for Reading Bohr's Interpretation of Quantum Mechanics as a Successor to Spinoza's Solution to the Psycho-Physical Problem" (draft completed 06/92).
- Project: book: *Interiors: Spinoza, Leeuwenhoek, Vermeer, and the Origins of Modernity* study of the conceptual foundations linking developments in philosophy, natural science, and the visual arts during the seventeenth century (in progress; begun 06/92).
- Article for *APA Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*: "An Experiment in Classical Chinese Political Theory" (05/92).
- Formal presentation: "*Poiesis*, Liberty, and the Possibility of Culture" (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University, 09/91).
- Formal presentation: "Realism and Anti-realism in the Philosophy of Mathematics" (Middle Tennessee State University Mathematics Organization, 02/90)
- Invited paper: "The Education of Searle's Demon" (Philosophy Guest Lecture Series, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 11/88).
- Invited paper: "The Education of Searle's Demon" (Contemporary Issues in Philosophy Lecture Series, Siena Heights College, Michigan, 04/88).
- Article: "Davidson in Flatland" published in the *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, 03/88.
- Invited paper: "Truth, Translatability, and Conceptual Relativism" (Quincy College, Illinois, 11/87).
- Formal presentation: "Artificial Intelligence: New Directions," (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University 10/86).
- Formal presentation: "Davidson in Flatland" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 10/85).

- Project: Translation of Joseph Weizenbaum's Artificial Intelligence program, ELIZA, from SLIP to BASIC for use in courses and/or presentations which deal with the foundations of programmed intelligence (11/85).
- Formal presentation: "Artificial Intelligence and Natural Selection," (Honors Lecture Series, Middle Tennessee State University 10/85).
- Invited paper: "Empiricism, Simulation, and Clinical Psychology" (Philosophy Colloquium, Seton Hall University, New Jersey, 05/85).
- Formal presentation: "On Hodges' 'Ethics and the *Tractatus*'" (Tennessee Philosophical Association, 10/84).