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Specialization: Philosophy.

Education: B.A., Trinity College (Hartford, Conn.), 1967;

Ph.D., Brandeis University, 1972.

Present Professor of Philosophy, Department

Position: of Philosophy.

Employment University of North Carolina at Greensboro:

<u>History</u>: Lecturer, 1973-5; Assistant Professor, 1975-80;

Associate Professor with Permanent Tenure,

1980-1994; Professor, 1995-present; Head, Department

of Philosophy, 1992-2000.

Scholarship

Scholarly Books:

- 1. Hoffman, J., and Rosenkrantz, G., Substance Among Other Categories: An Essay in Ontology, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1994).
- 2. Hoffman, J., and Rosenkrantz, G., *Substance: Its Nature and Existence*, (London and New York: Routledge, 1997).
- 3. Hoffman, J., and Rosenkrantz, G., *Exploring the Divine Attributes* (Oxford and Malden, Massachusetts: Blackwell, 2002).
- 4. Hoffman, J. and Rosenkrantz, G., *Historical Dictionary of Metaphysics*. (Lanham, Maryland: Scarecrow Press, 2010).

Articles, Book Chapters, and Encyclopedia Entries:

- 1. "Mavrodes on Defining Omnipotence," *Philosophical Studies* 35 (1979), pp. 311-313.
- 2. "Must Dispositions Have a Basis?" *Auslegung*, Volume 6, no. 2 (Feb., 1979), pp. 114-124.
- 3. "Pike on Possible Worlds, Divine Foreknowledge, and Human Freedom," *The Philosophical Review*, LXXXVIII (July, 1979), pp. 433-442.
- 4. "Can God Do Evil?" Southern Journal of Philosophy, XVII, no. 2 (1979), pp. 213-220.
- 5. "Omnipotence and Conjunctive States of Affairs," *Philosophy Research Archives*, 4 (1979), pp. 348-359. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 6. "A Possible Solution to *Philsophia* Problem 4," *Philosophia*, Volume 8, no. 4 (October, 1979), pp. 847-849.
- 7. "On Divine Foreknowledge and Human Freedom," *Philosophical Studies*, 36 (1980), pp. 289-296. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 8. "What an Omnipotent Agent Can Do," *International Journal For Philosophy of Religion*, Volume 11 (1980), pp. 1-19. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 9. "Locke on Whether a Thing Can Have Two Beginnings of Existence," *Ratio*, Volume XXII, no. 2 (Dec., 1980), pp. 106-111.
- 10. "The Omnipotence Paradox, Modality, and Time," Southern Journal of Philosophy, XVIII, no. 4 (1980), pp. 473-479. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 11. "Hard and Soft Facts," *The Philosophical Review*, Volume 93, no. 3 (1984), pp. 419-434. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.) [Reprinted in John Martin Fischer (ed.), *God, Freedom, and Foreknowledge* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1991).]
- 12. "Swinburne on Omnipotence," *Sophia*, Volume 23, no. 2 (1984), pp. 36-40. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)

- 13. "On Petitionary Prayer," *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 2, no. 1 (1985), pp. 21-9.
- 14. "Reply to Eleonore Stump," *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 2, no. 1 (1985), pp. 38-42.
- 15. "Comments on `Miracles and the Laws of Nature," *Faith and Philosophy*, Volume 2, no. 4 (1985), pp. 347-352.
- 16. "Introduction to Philosophy (Emphasizing Epistemology)". In M. A. Clay (ed.), *Teaching Theory of Knowledge* (Florida: The Council for Philosophical Studies, 1986), pp. 65-73. (With G. Rosenkrantz.).
- 17. "Omnipotence Redux," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* 49 (1988), pp. 283-301 (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 18. "Are Souls Unintelligible?" *Philosophical Perspectives 5* (1991), pp. 183-212 (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 19. "The Independence Criterion of Substance," *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research*, Volume 51, no. 4 (1991), pp. 835-53. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.) [Reprinted in S. Hales (ed.), *Metaphysics: Contemporary Readings* (Jones and Bartlett Publishing Company, 1999), and in Michael Tooley (ed.), *Analytical Metaphysics*, Volume 4 (Garland Publishing Company, 1999.]
- 20. "A New Theory of Comparative and Noncomparative Justice," *Philosophical Studies* 70 (1993), pp. 165-183.
- 21. "J. Rudner Boscovich." In R. Audi (ed.), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995), p. 84. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.) [Second Edition, 1999.]
- 22. "Mereology." In R. Audi (ed.), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995), p. 483. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.) [Second Edition, 1999.]
- 23. "Omnipotence." In P. Quinn and C. Taliaferro (eds.), *A Companion to the Philosophy of Religion* (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1997). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)

- 24. "On the Unity of Compound Things: Living and Nonliving," *Ratio* 11 (December, 1998), pp. 289-315. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.) [Reprinted in D. Oderberg (ed.), *Form and Matter: Themes in Contemporary Metaphysics* (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1999).]
- 26. "Organism." In R. Audi (ed.), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, 2nd Edition (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 27. "Life." In R. Audi (ed.), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, 2nd Edition (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 28. "Perdurance." In R. Audi (ed.), *The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy*, 2nd Edition (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1999). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 29. "Platonistic Theories of Universals." In M. Loux and D. Zimmerman (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Metaphysics* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2003). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 30. "Omnipotence." In Edward N. Zalta (ed.), *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (http://plato.stanford.edu). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 31. "How to Analyze Substance: A Reply to Schnieder." *Ratio* 20 (2007), pp. 130-141. (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 32. "Omnipotence." In Chad. V. Meister (Ed.), Routledge Companion to the Philosophy of Religion (London: Routledge, 2007). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 33. "Substance." In G. Rosenkrantz, *Blackwell Companion to Metaphysics*, 2nd Edition (Oxford and Malden, Massachusetts: Blackwell, 2009). (With Gary Rosenkrantz.)
- 34. "E. J. Lowe." In G. Rosenkrantz, *Blackwell Companion to Metaphysics*, 2nd Edition (Oxford and Malden, Massachusetts: Blackwell, 2009).
- 35. "Peter Simons." In G. Rosenkrantz, *Blackwell Companion to Metaphysics*, 2nd Edition (Oxford and Malden, Massachusetts: Blackwell, 2009).
- 36. "Metametaphysics and Substance: Two Case Studies." Forthcoming in *Axiomathes*.

37. "Neo-Aristotelianism and Substance." In Tuomas Tahko (Ed.) Contemporary Aristotelian Metaphysics (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, forthcoming).

Research in Progress:

- 1. "Death: A Limited Defense of Epicurus."
- 2. "Descartes's A Priori."
- 3. "Locke in the Mechanical Tradition."

Service Activities (Selected):

- 1. Head, Department of Philosophy, 1992-2000.
- 2. Department of Philosophy Library Representative, 1976-present.
- 3. University Library Committee, 1986-89. Chair, 1988-9.
- 4. Member, Honors Council, 1980-83, 2003. Chair, Subcommittee on the Curriculum, 1982-3.
- 5. University Committee on Undergraduate Academic Regulations, 1977-1980, 1988-1990. Chair, 1989-90.
- 6. University Honor Code Hearing Panel, 1980-83, 1985-7.
- 7. College Instructional Area Committee on Analytic and Evaluative Studies, 1988-1991.
- 8. College Instructional Area Committee on Historical Perspectives (Western), 1994-1996.
- 9. GEC Historical Perspectives Area Committee, Chair, 2000-2001; member, 2000-2003.
- 10. University Scheduling Policy Committee, 1996. Chair, 1996-1997.
- 11. Chair-Elect, College Assembly, 2001-2002; Chair, College Assembly, 2002-2003.
- 12. Member, College Curriculum and Teaching Committee, 2001-2002.

- 13. Library Serials Screening Subcommittee, 1988-9.
- 14. United Way Steering Committee, 1976-7. United Way Campaign Committee, 1975-6, 1977-8.
- 15. Faculty Advisor, 1973-1996.
- 16. College World Literature Committee, 1986-88.
- 17. Member, University Enrollment Planning Committee, 1998-2000.
- 18. Member, College Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2000-2001.
- 19. Member, University Senate, 2002-2004, 2005-2008, 2009-present.
- 20. Chair, University Faculty Government Committee, 2004-2005.
- 21. Member, University Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2005-2008, 2009-present.
- 22. Chair-Elect, Faculty Senate, 2010-2011.
- 23. Delegate to the UNC Faculty Assembly, 2010-present.
- 24. Member, Academic Restructuring Committee, 2010-11.
- 22. Referee for Philosophical Quarterly, Nous, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, Mind, Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Faith and Philosophy.

Courses Taught

- 1. Introduction to Philosophy.
- 2. Contemporary Moral Problems.
- 3. Introduction to Ethics.
- 4. Introduction to Logic.
- 5. Philosophy of Religion.
- 6. Metaphysics.

- 7. History of Ancient Philosophy.
- 8. History of Modern Philosophy.
- 9. American Philosophy.
- 10. Sophomore Seminar: Philosophy and Human Nature.
- 11. Aesthetics.
- 12. Philosophy of Education.
- 13. Philosophical Movements: The Empiricists.
- 14. Tutorial on Action Theory.
- 15. Tutorial on the History of Modern Philosophy.
- 16. Honors Seminar on Bertrand Russell.
- 17. Honors Seminar on the Philosophy of the American Constitution.
- 18. Honors History of Modern Philosophy.
- 19. Berkeley and Hume.
- 20. Major Philosophers: Aristotle.
- 21. Western Civilization.
- 22. Freshman Seminar: The Philosophy of the Constitution.
- 23. Formal Logic.
- 24. Various Independent Study Courses.
- 25. Senior Capstone Course (Aristotle).
- 26. Philosophy of the Constitution.

Recent Honors:

- 1. Presenter at SUNY Buffalo in April of 2006 at the Symposium on *The Metaphysics of E. J. Lowe*.
- 2. Participated as the Respondent at the First Summer Seminar in Philosophy at Davidson College. Topic of the seminar: *The Divine Attributes*, by Joshua Hoffman and Gary Rosenkrantz. June, 2005.
- 3. Chair-Elect of the Faculty Senate, 2010-2011.