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### **CURRENT POSITION**

Associate Professor  
Central Michigan University, Department of Political Science

### **CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS**

The political philosophy of Aesop's Fables and the *Life of Aesop* as they have been interpreted and used from Greek times to the present. Also, the political philosophy of Alasdair MacIntyre, particularly the relationship of his most recent work to the literature on caring that has been developed by feminist writers. I am also researching methods of teaching critical thinking skills in the classroom as part of the process of developing a new course on critical thinking.

### **EDUCATION**

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Ph.D., Political Science, December 1998  
Dissertation: "Civic Friendship, Ancient and Modern"  
Dissertation Advisors: Arlene Saxonhouse, Chair; Elizabeth Anderson; Gregory Smith, Trinity College; Elizabeth Wingrove  
M.A., Political Science, December 1996  
The College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio  
B.A., Political Science, May 1989  
Honors Independent Study Thesis: "Judicial Decision-Making and Abortion"  
Thesis Advisor: Karen Beckwith

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Associate Professor, Central Michigan University, 2004–present  
Assistant Professor, Central Michigan University, 1999–2004  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Trinity College, 1998–1999  
Visiting Lecturer, Trinity College, 1994–1998

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Central Michigan University, 1999–present  
Introduction to American Government and Politics  
Introduction to American Government and Politics, Honors section  
Great Political Thinkers (Introduction to Political Philosophy)  
Feminist Theory

Socialism, Fascism, Liberalism  
Modern Democratic Theory  
Modern Democratic Theory, Honors section  
Graduate Seminar in Political Theory

Trinity College, 1994–1999

Introduction to Political Philosophy  
Democratic Theory  
Contemporary American Democratic Theory  
Community and Freedom  
Formal Analysis: Normative and Empirical Dimensions  
Introduction to American National Government  
Congress and Public Policy  
American Presidency  
Public Policy Analysis  
Empirical Political Methods and Data Analysis (including SAS)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Book, "Aesop's Fables and Political Theory," in preparation.

Article, "Is Alasdair MacIntyre a Feminist?", in preparation.

"Aesop, Aristotle, and Animals." Forthcoming in *Humanitas*.

"The Death of Socrates and the *Life of Aesop*." Forthcoming in *Ancient Philosophy*.

"Alasdair MacIntyre." *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. Accessed Sept. 9, 2006.  
<http://www.iep.utm.edu/p/p-macint.htm>

"Alasdair MacIntyre on Aristotle and the *Polis*." *New England Journal of Political Science*. Vol. 2, No. 2, Spring 2006.  
<http://nepsagas.ehost.com/nejps/v2n2/>

"The Audience for Aristotle's *Rhetoric*." *Rhetorica*, Vol. 22, No. 2, Spring 2004.  
Berkeley, California: University of California Press.

"Aristotle." *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. Accessed February 15, 2003.  
<http://www.iep.utm.edu/a/aris-pol.htm>

"Cicero." *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. Accessed February 7, 2003.  
<http://www.utm.edu/research/iep/c/cicero.htm>

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (since 2005)**

"Aesop, Aristotle, and Animals," Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting,  
April 2007

"The Life of Socrates and the Life of Aesop," Western Political Science Association  
Annual Meeting, March 2006

"The Political Philosophy of Aesop's Fables," Midwest Political Science Association  
Annual Meeting, April 2005

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Political Science Association

Society for Greek Political Thought

International Society for MacIntyrean Philosophy (member, Executive Committee)

## **PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

Available on request