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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

August 2014-present

Department of English and Philosophy, South Plains College (Assistant Professor 2019–present, Instructor 2018–2019, Part-Time Instructor 2014–2018)

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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. (philosophy of religion) Southern Evangelical Seminary, April 2019
  - M.A. (apologetics) Southern Evangelical Seminary, May 2014
  - B.B.A. (finance) Texas Tech University, May 2010
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## AREAS OF RESEARCH SPECIALIZATION

- the problem of animal suffering
  - the philosophy of mind/animal minds
  - Thomistic philosophical theology
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## AREAS OF TEACHING COMPETENCE

- introduction to philosophy
  - introduction to world religions
  - English composition
  - developmental English
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## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

*God's Purpose for the Universe and the Problem of Evil*. Under contract with Lexington Books.

*Thomism and the Problem of Animal Suffering*. Eugene: Wipf and Stock, 2020.

*Answering the Music Man: Dan Barker's Arguments against Christianity*. Edited by B. Kyle Keltz and Tricia Scribner. Eugene: Wipf and Stock, 2020.

### Journal articles and book chapters

"Is Animal Suffering Evil? A Thomistic Perspective." *The Journal of Value Inquiry* 54 (March 2020): 1–19.

"A Thomistic Answer to the Evil-God Challenge." *The Heythrop Journal* 60, no. 5 (September 2019): 689–698.

"God's Purpose for the Universe and the Problem of Animal Suffering." *Sophia* 58, no. 3 (September 2019): 475–492.

"Neo-Thomism and the Problem of Animal Suffering." *Nova et Vetera* 17, no. 1 (2019): 93–125.

- “Aquinas and the Problem of No Best World.” *New Blackfriars* 99, no. 1082 (July 2018): 503–519.
- “Are Insects Capable of Suffering?” In *God and the World of Insects*. Edited by Josh Shoemaker and Gary Branness, 195–227. Silverton: Lampion Press, 2017.
- “Could a Good God Allow Death Before the Fall? A Thomistic Perspective.” *The Heythrop Journal* (2017). doi: 10.1111/heyj.12658.
- “Thomistic Moral Arguments.” *Christian Apologetics Journal* 14, no. 2 (Fall 2016): 55–73.
- “The Animal Soul and the Problem of Animal Suffering.” *Christian Apologetics Journal* 13, no. 2 (Fall 2015): 5–32.

**Book reviews**

- James P. Sterba, *Is a Good God Logically Possible?* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2019) in *The Heythrop Journal* (forthcoming).

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**PRESENTATIONS**

- “Thomas Aquinas on Faith and Reason,” National Conference on Christian Apologetics - hosted by Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 12, 2018.
- “Would a Good God Allow Death Before the Fall?” National Conference on Christian Apologetics - hosted by Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 14, 2017.
- “Would a Good God Allow Death Before the Fall?” National Conference on Christian Apologetics - hosted by Southern Evangelical Seminary, Charlotte, North Carolina, October 14, 2016.
- “God’s Obligations and the Problem of Evil in the Philosophy of Thomas Aquinas,” Annual Meeting of the New Mexico - Texas Philosophical Society, Houston, Texas, March 29, 2015.

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**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- Member, American Association of Philosophy Teachers, 2016–present.
  - Member, Evangelical Philosophical Society, 2016–present.
  - Member, International Society of Christian Apologists, 2016–present.
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