

STEPHEN KEKOA MILLER

CURRENT ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Oakwood Friends School, Poughkeepsie, NY 2001- present
*Middle School Head, Faculty Mentor, History and Philosophy Teacher, Humanities Department Chair,
Director of the Global Affairs Certificate Program, Ethics Bowl and MUN advisor*

Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY 2003 - present
Adjunct Professor of Philosophy

EDUCATION

M.A., from New York University, Philosophy May 1994
Thesis: "John Dewey and Radical Democracy: Construction of a
Democratic Community"
Graduated Cum Laude
Advisor: Robert Gurland

B.A., from the College of William and Mary, May 1991
Double major Philosophy and Religious Studies
Graduated Cum Laude

HONORS AND AWARDS

Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO)

- *Knisely Award* for High School Teachers, 2015

National Humanities Center

- Teachers Advisory Council Member, 2017-18

Philosophy in Schools and the Public Realm

- Writers workshop sponsored by the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE), the Janet Prindle Institute for Ethics, and the Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization, 2019

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

- Summer Scholars Grant. 2014

World Affairs Council, Mid-Hudson Valley,

- Excellence in Teaching Global Studies Award, 2014

Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE)

- Best Formal Paper on Pre-College Ethics Award, 2016

Community Foundation

- Writing Grant, 2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Oakwood Friends School, Poughkeepsie, NY 2001- present

Courses Taught: Globalization; International Relations; Modern Middle East; Ethics
Postcolonial Studies and Critical Race Theory; Psychology; Asian Religions; Nonviolence: Theory and Practice; Economics; Art and Ideas; Existentialism; Revolutions in Three Countries; Greek Philosophy, Quakerism; Philosophy of Religion; Philosophy of Science; AP English; Comparative Religion; Behavioral Economics; Applied Ethics; Film Studies; Classical Sources of Classical Films; Critical Thinking; Middle School Philosophy; Ethics of Embodiment

Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY 2003 - present

Courses Taught: Ethics, Major Religions, Bioethics and Introduction to Philosophy

Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY 1999-2003

Adjunct Professor of Philosophy and Comparative Religion

Courses Taught: Major Religions of the World, Ethical Theory and Contemporary Issues and Primary Issues in Philosophy

Dutchess Day School, Millbrook, NY 1999-2001

Courses Taught: U.S. History for 7th and 8th Grade

Prospect Heights High School, Brooklyn, NY 1998-1999

Courses Taught: American History, Economics, Government and English as a Second Language Teacher

PUBLICATIONS

Publications

Intentional Disruptions, editor and contributor. Vernon Press, August 2021.

“On Hope”, *Questions: Philosophy for Young People*. Volume 21, 2021.

“Book Review: Philosophical Adventures with Fairy Tales”, *Questions: Philosophy for Young People*. Volume 20, 2020.

“The Importance of Not Being Earnest”, HRČAK, *Methodical Review : Journal of Philosophy of Education*, Vol. 26, No. 2, 2019.

“Restoring Wonder: The Benefits and Challenges of Doing Philosophy in Mixed-aged Groups” in Thomas Wartenberg, ed. *Philosophy in Classrooms and Beyond*. Rowman and Littlefield, April 2019.

“My Favorite Philosophical Question Is..”, *Questions: Philosophy for Young People*. Volume 19, 2019.

“Truth and Why It Matters: A Warm-up Exercise”, *Questions: Philosophy for Young People*. Volume 18, 2018.

“Contesting Harmful Representation,” *Teaching Ethics*, Volume 17, Number 2,. 2017.

“Socratic Aporia in the Classroom and the Development of Resilience”, *Analytic Teaching and Philosophical Praxis*, Volume 37, No. 3, 2017.

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“Your Feelings Are Wrong,” *Analytic Teaching and Philosophical Praxis*, Volume 36, No. 2, 2016.

Conference Papers/ Webinars

“Engaging Younger Philosophers: Philosophy in Pre-College Settings” APA Live, November 22, 2021.

“How to Teach Philosophy to Kids” Chasing Leviathan Podcast, February 2022.

“What to Seek and What to Avoid: Philosophy and Final Ends”, *International Council for Philosophical Inquiry with Children (ICPIC)*, Vancouver, Canada, 2015.

“Socratic Aporia in the Classroom and the Development of Resilience”, *Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO) Conference*, Seattle Washington, 2015.

“Your Feelings Are Wrong”, *Association for Practical and Professional Ethics Conference*, Reston, Virginia, 2015.

“Community of Inquiry from Middle School to Parent Community”, *Mt. Holyoke Conference on Philosophy for Children work of Thomas Wartenberg*, 2016.

“Contesting Harmful Representation Using Community of Inquiry Model”, *Conference of the North American Association for Community of Inquiry (NAACI)*, 2016.

“Unconscious Bias and Linguistic Representation,” *Philosophy of Education Society of Australasia*, Fiji, 2016.

“Ethics Curriculum and the Philosophy of Emotion.” *National Association of Independent Schools Conference (NAIS)*, Baltimore, 2017.

“The Importance of Not Being Earnest”, PLATO Conference, Chicago, 2017.

“Undoing Bad Habits: Precollege Philosophy in the USA” *World Congress of Philosophy*, Beijing, Peoples Republic of China, August 2018

“Restoring Wonder: The Benefits and Challenges of Doing Philosophy in Mixed-aged Groups” , *Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO) Conference*, Winter Park, FL 2019.

“Extending the Moral Imagination”, AAPT Conference, online conference June, 2021.

PRESENTATIONS, INVITED LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

Roundtable Presentation on Pre-college Philosophy, World Congress of Philosophy, Beijing, 2018.

North American Association for Community of Inquiry (NAACI), Author Panel Commentary, 2016

Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-kill panelist and speaker for Leadership Institute, 2014.

Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-kill panelist Cottage Conversations on Race, 2015.

Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization Seattle Conference roundtable panelist, 2015.

Marist College School of Continuing Education, Guest Lecture on Spanish Civil War, 2016.

Coordinator and facilitator of American Association of Philosophy Teachers (AAPT) and PLATO workshop for High School Teachers, Summer 2022.

APA Eastern Division, 2020, Panel Organizer on “Ethics in Precollege Philosophy” for Teaching Hub

“Ask A Philosopher” guest on Brooklyn Public Philosophers Webcast, March 2020.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Philosophy Learning and Teaching Organization (PLATO)

- Board of Directors, 2016, Treasurer and Executive Committee, 2017-present
- Member of Committee on Training Teachers of Philosophy, 2014
- Education Committee Chair, 2015-2021
- Research and Advocacy Committee 2015-2017
- PLATO 2019 Conference Committee
- Development Committee 2021-Present
- Advocacy Committee Chair, 2021-Present

American Philosophical Association

- Committee on Pre-College Instruction in Philosophy, Associate Chair 2020, Chair 2021
- APA-Live member

National Humanities Center

- Teachers Advisory Council, 2017-18

Questions: Philosophy for Young People Journal

- Editorial Board, 2016-present

Wi-Phi, Youtube philosophy instruction video channel

- Editorial Board, 2018-present

Teaching Philosophy Journal

- Peer reviewer, 2019-present

United Nations Association – Mid Hudson Valley

- Founding member, Board of Directors, Program Director, President 2017-2021
- Panelist on ICERD, 2015, Membership Chair, 2015
- Organized four large-scale Human Rights Day events at the FDR Library

Town of Poughkeepsie Ethics Board

- Board Member, 2018-2021

New York State Association of Independent Schools (NYSAIS)

- Member of six New York State Association of Independent School accreditation teams 2008-2020.
- served as an editor on the newest evaluation manual, 2013.

Ethics Bowl

- Served as a judge at Marist 2007, 2011, 2018
- Coached Oakwood Friends School Team 2016-present

National Endowment for the Humanities

- Selection Committee for Summer Scholars, 2016, 2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Stephen Kekoa Miller

No Sweat (Students Against Sweatshops), Oakwood Friends School, 2001-2009.

- Craig Kielburger Award from NYS Labor-Religion Coalition, 2008.

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Thomas Wartenberg, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy

Mt. Holyoke College
twartenb@mtholyoke.edu

John Partridge, Associate Professor of Philosophy

Wheaton College
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Chad Cianfrani, Head of School

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Joseph Campisi, Professor of Philosophy

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