

Jonathan Reibsamen, Ph.D.

Curriculum Vitae

Summer 2026

Columbia International University
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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION AND COMPETENCE

Research Specializations: Epistemology (especially Virtue Epistemology and Social Epistemology) and Philosophy of Religion

Teaching Competences: Ethics, Medical Ethics, Moral Theory, History of Philosophy, Logic and Critical Thinking, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Human Nature

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Philosophy, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO, 2015.

Dissertation: *Social Epistemic Dependence: Trust, Testimony, and Social Intellectual Virtue*
Passed with Distinction

Committee: John Greco (director), Eleonore Stump, James Bohman, and Sanford Goldberg

M.A., Philosophy, Biola University, La Mirada, CA, 2006.

Graduated Summa Cum Laude.

B.S., Communications and Biblical Studies, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC, 1998.

Graduated Summa Cum Laude.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Professor of Philosophy, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC
July 2022 - present

Associate Professor of Philosophy, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC
July 2017 – June 2022

PUBLICATIONS

Articles and Chapters

(2025) “Puzzles about Prayer.” In Joshua Heter and Brett Coppenger (eds.), *Country Music and Philosophy: Honky Tonk Meditations*. McFarland & Company, Inc.

(2021) “The Five Characters at Essay’s End: Re-examining Anscombe’s ‘Modern Moral Philosophy’.” (Co-authored with Alex Plato.) *American Catholic Philosophical Quarterly*. Advance Online Publication: doi: 10.5840/acpq20211215242

(2019) “Divine Goodness and the Efficacy of Petitionary Prayer.” *Religious Studies* 55:1, March 2019, pp. 131-144.

(2018) “Reliabilist Virtue Epistemology.” (Co-authored with John Greco) In Nancy Snow (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Virtue*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, 2018.

Book Reviews

(2022) Review of *Such a Mind as This: A Biblical-Theological Study of Thinking in the Old Testament* by Richard L. Smith. *Journal of the Evangelical Theological Society* 65, 3 (September 2022).

(2020) Review of *The Epistemic Significance of Disagreement* by Jonathan Matheson. *Tradition and Discovery* 46, 3 (Oct. 2020).

(2020) Review of *Religious Diversity and Religious Progress* by Robert McKim. *Religious Studies Review* 46.3 (Nov. 2020).

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

“Is Petitionary Prayer Senseless?”

Evangelical Philosophical Association National Meeting, Boston, MA, November 18, 2025.

“On Desiring to Influence God”

Evangelical Philosophical Association Southeast Regional Meeting, Wake Forest, NC, March 8, 2025

“Puzzles of Petitionary Prayer”

University Faculty Lunch & Learn Workshop, Columbia International University,
February 21, 2025.

“AI and the Image of God”

All-Faculty Workshop, Columbia International University, Columbia, SC, August 19,
2024

“Can ChatGPT Be (Epistemically) Trusted?”

Evangelical Philosophical Association Southeast Regional Meeting, Toccoa Falls, GA,
February 23, 2024.

“Can ChatGPT Be (Epistemically) Trusted?”

University Faculty Lunch & Learn Workshop, Columbia International University,
September 16, 2024.

“Socializing Virtue Reliabilism”

Queen Street Colloquium, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC, December 1,
2022.

“Liturgical Assertions and Doctrinal Doubt”

Evangelical Philosophical Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, November 17,
2022.

“A Brief History of Epistemic Trust”

University Faculty Lunch & Learn Workshop, Columbia International University,
September 17, 2021.

“Child Safety Epistemology”

Social (Distance) Epistemology Workshop, online workshop hosted by Northwestern
University faculty, May 1, 2020.

“Should You Believe Your Teachers?”

South Carolina Society for Philosophy, University of South Carolina, March 9, 2019.

“Should You Trust What You Hear? A brief history of epistemic trust”

Invited virtual presentation, Hillsdale College, April 28, 2017.

“Can Socially Seated Epistemic Competences Save Virtue Reliabilism?”

Saint Louis Epistemology Workshop, Saint Louis University, April 6, 2017.

“Mass Assertions”

Society of Christian Philosophers Midwest Regional Conference, Spring Hill College,
Mobile, March 21, 2015.

“All You Need Is Virtue (with a little help from your friends)”

American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting (main program), Saint
Louis, February 18 - 21, 2015.

“Socializing Virtue Reliabilism”

Saint Louis Epistemology Reading Group, October 17, 2014.

“Intellectually Virtuous Epistemic Trust”

5th Annual Northwestern/Notre Dame Epistemology Conference, Northwestern
University, April 25, 2014

“Epistemic Social Capital and Intellectually Virtuous Trust”

Gateway Graduate Philosophy Conference, University of Missouri, Saint Louis, March
15, 2014.

Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, February 22, 2014.

“Knowing by Trusting: Epistemic Social Capital and Epistemically Virtuous Trust.”

Canadian Society for Epistemology International Symposium on Social Epistemology,
University of Sherbrooke, November 30, 2013.

“A New Augustinian Response to the Problem of Petitionary Prayer”

Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific/Mountain Regional Conference, University of
Colorado, Boulder, March 9, 2013.

Received Conference “Best Graduate Student Paper” Award.

“Social Epistemic Trust”

Philosophical Collaborations, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, March 1, 2013.

Invited Presentation, with John Greco.

“Trust in Epistemology”

Mid-South Philosophy Conference, Rhodes College, Memphis, February 16, 2013.

PUBLIC TALKS FOR GENERAL AUDIENCES

“Theories of Justice as Responses to Injustice.” CIU College of Arts and Sciences “Responses to

Injustice” Seminar Series, October 21, 2020.

“Sacred and Secular Virtue.” *Areopagus* Lecture Series at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Columbia, SC, March 24, 2019.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Columbia International University, Columbia, SC:

- MSD 1110: Encountering Spiritual Formation
- PHI 2110: Introduction to Philosophy
- PHI 2610: Introduction to Logic
- PHI 3210: History of Ideas I
- PHI 3220: History of Ideas II
- PHI 3340: Contemporary Philosophy
- PHI 3500: Philosophy of Science
- PHI 3510: Philosophy of Human Nature
- PHI 3610: Introduction to Christian Apologetics
- PHI 4140: Ethics
- PHI 4811: Augustine Seminar
- PHI 4814: Moral Theory Seminar

Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO:

- PHIL 336: Medical Ethics
- PHIL 205: Ethics
- PHIL 105: Historical Introduction to Philosophy

Scott Christian University, Machakos, Kenya:

- Living Worldviews
- Theology II: Theological Anthropology, Christology, & Hamartiology

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Creative Arts and Communication Chair at Columbia International University, July 2026 to present.

Liberal Arts Division Chair at Columbia International University, July 2024 to June 2026.

Chair of the university curriculum committee at Columbia International University, Fall 2019 to Spring 2025.

Director of the philosophy program at Columbia International University, Columbia, SC, July 2017 to Spring 2025.

Project Manager for the Happiness and Well-Being Project (a \$5.1 million grant project, supported by the John Templeton Foundation; Dan Haybron, principal investigator), Saint Louis University, July 2015 to July 2017.

Administrative Coordinator and Business Manager for the Philosophy and Theology of Intellectual Humility Project (a \$3.1 million grant project, supported by the John Templeton Foundation; John Greco and Eleonore Stump, principal investigators), Saint Louis University, July 2013 to June 2015.

Academic Affairs Committee, Scott Christian University, May to July 2007.

AWARDS, HONORS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Philosophy as a Way of Life Project network and workshop participant, 2019

Alvin Plantinga Reading Group Grant, from Society of Christian Philosophers, 2018

Dissertation Defense, Passed with Distinction, 2015.

American Philosophical Association Central Division Graduate Student Travel Award, 2015.

Prospectus Oral Exam, Passed with Distinction, 2014.

Society of Christian Philosophers Pacific/Mountain Conference Award for Best Graduate Student Paper, 2013.

Saint Louis University Graduate Research Fellowship, 2012-2013.

James Collins Award for Excellence in Graduate Education, Saint Louis University, 2012.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Co-editor of the “Divine Hiddenness” leaf category on PhilPapers.org (with Ian Church) <http://philpapers.org/browse/divine-hiddenness/>, Summer 2014 to present.

Co-editor of the “Religious Pluralism” leaf category on PhilPapers.org (with Ian Church)

<http://philpapers.org/browse/religious-pluralism/>, Summer 2014 to present.

Assistant editor of the “Epistemology of Testimony” leaf category on PhilPapers.org
<http://philpapers.org/browse/epistemology-of-testimony/>, Summer 2014 to present.

Referee for *Philosophia Christi*, 2024.

Referee for *Faith and Philosophy*, 2024.

Referee for *Religious Studies*, 2023.

Referee for *Sophia*, 2021.

Referee for *Res Philosophica*, 2020.

Referee for *European Journal for Philosophy of Religion*, 2019.

Referee for *The Journal of Analytic Theology*, 2018.

Referee for *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 2015.

Referee for *Journal of Philosophical Research*, 2015.

Referee for *American Philosophical Quarterly*, University of Illinois Press, 2013, 2014.

Referee for *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*, University of Calgary Press, 2013.

Director, Saint Louis University Graduate Philosophy Conference, Fall 2011.

Vice President, Saint Louis University Philosophy Graduate Student Association, 2010-2011.

Director, Talbot Philosophical Society Student Conference (Biola University), Spring 2007.

Secretary, Talbot Philosophical Society (Biola University), 2005-2006