

CURRICULUM VITAE

JACK EDWARD MULDER, JR.

Assistant Professor of Philosophy
Hope College
Holland, MI
616-395-7294

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Degree	Field	Year	University
Ph.D.	Philosophy	2004	Purdue University
M.A.	Philosophy	2003	Purdue University
B.A.	Religion and Philosophy	2000	Hope College

TEACHING FIELDS:

Primary: History of Philosophy (especially Kierkegaard), Philosophy of Religion (all approaches), Eastern Philosophy, Catholicism

Secondary: Ethics, World Religions, Logic

COURSES TAUGHT AT HOPE COLLEGE

Ancient Philosophy, Logic, Informal Logic, Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Cultural Heritage II (IDS), Heaven, Hell and Purgatory (IDS First-Year Seminar), Contemporary Catholicism (Religion 100), Philosophies of China and Japan, Existentialism, Introduction to World Religions (Religion 280), Human and Divine Freedom (Philosophy 450 capstone course), Moral Choices at the Movies (IDS First-Year Seminar)

COURSES TAUGHT AT PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Religions of the West, Philosophy of Religion, Introduction to Ethics, Introduction to Philosophy, Religions of the East

EMPLOYMENT AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Dates	Position
2006-present	Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Hope College
2004-2006	Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Hope College

EMPLOYMENT AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, CONTINUED

2000-2004 Teaching Assistant, Purdue University

GRANTS, HONORS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Date	Name of Grant, Honor, or Fellowship
2009	Hope CrossRoads Faculty-Student Summer Research Grant (with Andrew Peterson)
2009	Hope College Nyenhuis Student-Faculty Collaborative Summer Grant (with Mike Bertrand)
2008	Hope College Nyenhuis Student-Faculty Collaborative Summer Grant (with Robin Litscher)
2007	Hope CrossRoads Faculty-Student Summer Research Grant (with Nick Engel)
2005	Nominee, Purdue University Department of Philosophy, for Council of Graduate Schools/University Microfilms International Distinguished Dissertation Award (award given on a two-year cycle).
2004	Nominee, Purdue University Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Award (one of two endorsed by the School of Liberal Arts).
2004	Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher, Philosophy Department, Purdue University, 2003-2004.
2003	Summer Research Fellowship, Hong Kierkegaard Library (St. Olaf College).
2003	Purdue Research Foundation Summer Fellowship.
2003	Purdue Graduate Student Government Travel Grant.
2001-2003	Purdue Philosophy Department Graduate Student Representative.
2000	Phi Beta Kappa, Hope College
2000	American Bible Society Award, Hope College
1997-2000	Van Ess Scholarships, Religion Department, Hope College

GRANTS, HONORS, AND FELLOWSHIPS, CONTINUED

1996-2000 Charles E. Lake Prizes in Ancient Philosophy, Modern Philosophy, Philosophical Promise as a Junior Student, and Philosophical Promise as a Senior Student, Hope College.

PUBLICATIONS

- “Why More Christians Should Believe in Mary’s Immaculate Conception,” forthcoming in *Christian Scholar’s Review*.
- “Let’s rethink *Roe v. Wade* – and overturn it,” (one of several responses to Bertha Manninen, “Rethinking *Roe v. Wade*: Defending the Abortion Right in the Face of Contemporary Opposition”) *American Journal of Bioethics*, 10 (2010): pp. 65-66.
- “Abraham Joshua Heschel: Heschel’s Use of Kierkegaard as Cohort in Depth Theology,” in *Kierkegaard’s Influence on Theology; Tome II: Anglophone, Scandinavian, and Jewish Theology*, ed. Jon Stewart (Aldershot: Ashgate, forthcoming).
- Kierkegaard and the Catholic Tradition: Conflict and Dialogue* (Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2010).
- “Kierkegaard and Natural Reason: A Catholic Encounter,” *Faith and Philosophy* 26 (2009): 42-63.
- “Bernard of Clairvaux: Kierkegaard’s Reception of the ‘Last of the Fathers,’” in *Kierkegaard and the Patristic and Medieval Tradition*, ed. Jon Stewart, Aldershot: Ashgate, 2008, pp. 21-45.
- “Cyprian of Carthage: Kierkegaard, Cyprian, and the ‘urgent needs of the times,’” in *Kierkegaard and the Patristic and Medieval Tradition*, ed. Jon Stewart, Aldershot: Ashgate, 2008, pp. 67-94.
- “On Being Afraid of Hell: Kierkegaard and Catholicism on Imperfect Contrition,” in *Kierkegaard Studies: Yearbook 2007*, ed. Niels Jørgen Cappelørn and Hermann Deuser, Berlin: de Gruyter, 2007, pp. 96-122.
- “The Catholic Moment?: The Apostle in Kierkegaard’s ‘The Difference Between a Genius and an Apostle,’” in *Without Authority*, ed. Robert L. Perkins, Macon, Georgia: Mercer University Press, 2006 (*International Kierkegaard Commentary*, vol. 18), pp. 203-234.
- Mystical and Buddhist Elements in Kierkegaard’s Religious Thought*, Lewiston: The Edwin Mellen Press, 2005.
- “Must All Be Saved? A Kierkegaardian Response to Theological Universalism,” *International Journal for Philosophy of Religion* 59 (2006): 1-24.
- “Alone with Myself (and Everyone Else): Kierkegaard and Nishida on Loneliness and Love,” *Listening: A Journal of Religion and Culture* 40 (2005): 170-181.
- “*Satori* in Climacus? Christian Existence and the Zen Charge of Dualism,” *Kierkegaard Studies: Yearbook 2005*, ed. Niels Jørgen Cappelørn and Hermann Deuser, Berlin: de Gruyter, 2005, pp. 294-313.
- “Faith and Nothingness in Kierkegaard: A Mystical Reading of the God-Relationship” (doctoral dissertation, Purdue University, 2004).

PUBLICATIONS, CONTINUED

“Re-radicalizing Kierkegaard: An Alternative to Religiousness C in light of an Investigation into the Teleological Suspension of the Ethical,” *Continental Philosophy Review* 35 (2002): 303-324.

PAPER PRESENTED AND INVITED ADDRESSES

“Comments on James Gould, ‘Reflective Theological Equilibrium and the Dilemma of Partnered Homosexuality,’” Midwest Society of Christian Philosophers meeting, Hope College, February 24-26, 2011.

“Kanean Libertarianism in the Garden of Eden” (co-authored with Hope student Mike Bertrand), at the Mountain-Pacific Regional Conference of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Fort Lewis College, October 22-24, 2009.

“The Sickness Unto Life: Justification in Kierkegaard and the Question of Purgatory,” presented at the symposium, “Kierkegaard and Death” December 7-8, 2007, St. Olaf College.

“Nothingness and Religious Awakening: Points of Contact in Kierkegaard and Buddhism,” invited lecture, Ohio State University, co-sponsored by Department of Comparative Studies, Department of History, Institute for Chinese Studies, Institute for Collaborative Research and Public Humanities, Institute for Japanese Studies and the East Asian Studies Center, and New Diversity Initiatives with the Multicultural Center, March 8, 2007.

“Is Abraham a Hero: Hope and the Natural Law in Kierkegaard’s *Fear and Trembling*,” invited lecture, Ashland University, February 15, 2007.

“Zen and Comparative Philosophy,” presentation at “Teaching Hope,” organized by Hope College Student Congress around the theme of issues of diversity in various disciplines, October 5, 2006.

“On Being Afraid of Hell: Kierkegaard and Catholicism on Imperfect Contrition,” Research Seminar on Kierkegaard’s *Upbuilding Discourses in Various Spirits* and *Christian Discourses*, Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 15-18, 2006.

“From Jerusalem to Athens?’ Reflections on an Inward Journey,” Hope College Religion Department Speaker Series, April 7, 2005.

“Must All Be Saved? Kierkegaard and Theological Universalism,” Hope College Philosophy Department Speaker Series, November 9, 2004.

“*Satori* in Climacus? Christian Existence and the Zen Charge of Dualism,” Research Seminar on Kierkegaard’s *Concluding Unscientific Postscript*, Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 10-13, 2004.

“*Satori* in Climacus? Christian Existence and the Zen Charge of Dualism,” *Identifications: Faith, Theory and Identity*. Graduate Student Conference, Purdue University, February 6-8, 2004.

“Simple and Free: The Need for Divine Simplicity,” Eastern Regional Meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, Asbury College, December 4-6, 2003.

PAPER PRESENTED AND INVITED ADDRESSES, CONTINUED

“Absolute Nothingness and the Christian God,” *Cross Currents: New Intersections in Comparative Philosophy*, Graduate Student Conference, University of Hawai’i at Manoa, March 6-7, 2003.

“A Teleological Suspension and a Walk in the Park,” invited lecture, Hope College, October 26, 2001.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Conference organizer, Midwest meeting of the Society of Christian Philosophers, February 24-26, 2011, Hope College.

Manuscript referee, *Faith and Philosophy* (2010)

Participant, workshop on the mission of Hope College June 1-4, 2010.

Participant, three-week Seminar in Christian Scholarship entitled, “Philosophical Reflections on Liturgy,” at Calvin College, led by Nicholas Wolterstorff and Terence Cuneo, June 22-July 10, 2009.

Manuscript referee, *Christian Scholar’s Review* (2005-present)

Participant, one-week summer seminar on Christianity and Politics run by The Crossroads Project at Hope College, Summer 2005.

Chair, American Philosophical Association Central Division Meeting, Colloquium on Philosophy of Religion, April 2003.

Moderator, North American Sartre Society Annual Meeting, “Sartre and Arendt: Questions of Their Times, Our Times?,” Purdue University, Sept. 12-14, 2003.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS (CURRENT)

Søren Kierkegaard Society (since 2002)

Society of Christian Philosophers (since 2002)

COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Co-organizer (with Priscilla Atkins), Ecumenical Celebration of Mary, March 29, 2011.

Participant, panel on Women’s Health and Political Diversity, April 5, 2011.

Participant, panel on Religious Diversity at Hope College, January 2011.

Member, Global Mission Task Force (Hope College), fall 2010-present

Member, Curriculum Committee (Hope College), fall 2010-present

Presenter, TED student-led project, April 2010

Participant, panel discussion on homosexuality, March 31, 2010

Presenter, Workshop on Student-Faculty Summer Research, February 2010

Member, General Education Review Committee, academic year 2009-2010

Participating family for Nursing Department’s “Family Health and Nursing” class (2008-2009)

Interim faculty advisor, Union of Catholic Students, 2007-2008

Chapel speaker (with Melissa Mulder) on Catholicism, fall 2007

Co-author, Planning Statement for Phi Beta Kappa/Teagle Foundation grant (2007)

COLLEGE AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE, CONTINUED

Panel participant, Parents' Weekend panel on midterm grades (2007)
Presenter, Arts and Humanities Fair, fall 2007
Member, Hope College Human Subjects Review Board (2007-2010)
Chair, Religious Life Committee (2006-2009)
Play Judge, Annual Nykerk Cup Competition (2006)
Contributor, "Midrashes on the Mission of Hope" (2006)
Faculty advisor, Inquiring Minds Philosophy discussion group (2005-present)
Mentor, Pew Society (2005-2008)
Instructor, Independent Studies (2004, 2005, 2007)
Presenter, Pew Society informational meeting (2005)
Presenter, Arts and Humanities Fair for prospective Hope College students (2004)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Reader, Education for the New Roman Missal for 2011, St. Francis de Sales Church at 10:30 masses, 2011.
Presenter, adult education session on the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Francis de Sales Church, April 2010
Presenter, adult education session on Purgatory, St. Francis de Sales Church, April 2010
Member, St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church (2004-present)
I was one of several people taking turns leading "dismissals" for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) at St. Francis starting in fall 2009.
Presenter, St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church workshop on prayer for children and families (I spoke on *Lectio Divina*), October 11, 2009.
Lector, St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church, (2006-2009)
Member, Stewardship Committee, St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church (2006-2009)
Guest Lecturer, Holland High School Advanced Placement English class (September 26, 2006)
Sponsor, RCIA program, St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church (2005-2006)