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Professor Emeritus
Psychology & Philosophy
Humanities & Social Sciences

Degrees Earned

Ph.D., Philosophy & Intellectual History, University of Missouri, 1969

M.A., Philosophy, University of Missouri, 1964

B.A., Philosophy & Social Studies, University of North Carolina, 1960

Peer-Review Publications and Artistic Performances/Exhibitions

Articles

"A Criticism of Solipsism," Dianoia, Volume 1, No. 1, pages 36-40, 1966.

"The Refutation of Agnosticism," Religious Humanism, Volume V, No. 4, pages 154-156, 1971.

"Some Criticism of Chappell's Argument for Solipsism," The Journal of Critical Analysis, Volume IV, No. 1, pages 21-24, 1972.

Peer-Review Presentations/Posters

"New Science for New Students," American Association for the Advancement of the Core Curriculum, 1993.

"Formula Funding for the Fine Arts: Making it Work," Texas Council of Arts in Education, 1992.

The fifth Annual Conference on Excellence in Education, University of Houston-Downtown: (1) The State of Texas Core Curriculum; (2) Reforming Teacher Education, 1991.

"Deans in a Time of Transition," invited presentation to New Deans, National Conference of Academic Deans. Published in conference Proceedings, 1991.

"Shattering the Myth of the Dean as Superchairperson," invited presentation, College Council of Deans, Western Deans, 1990.

"Keeping Up With the Field: Reaping What We Sew," invited presentation to the National Conference of Academic Deans. Published in Conference Proceedings, 1990.

"Resolved: That students receive a better education at small private colleges than at public universities," invited debate paper, The 40th Annual National Conference of Academic Deans. Published in Conference Proceedings, 1986.

“Education for the Twenty-First Century: The professorate, Curricula, and Applied Technology,” The 39th Annual National Conference of Academic Deans. Published in Conference Proceedings, 1985.

“View from the Outside: A Dean’s Perspective, “ Annual Fall Meeting of the Texas Association of Academic Administrators in the Mathematical Sciences, 1983.

“Coping with the Why of Death,” invited paper by the Department of Philosophy and College of Medicine, Texas A&M University, 1983.

Mid-Trinity Valley Association of Nursing Directors. (1) “Medical Personnel and Death Anxiety,” (2) “Ethical Issues in Death and Dying,” 1979.

District Medical Conference, “Death and Behavior Modification,” 1979.

District Nurses Seminar, “The Nurse and the Dying Patient,” 1979.

Area IV Medical Conference, “Behavioral Changes and Emotional Responses and Cancer Patients,” 1979.

Counselor Cooperative Workshop (12-hour workshop presentation), “Death and Anxiety,” 1979.

Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center, Bryan, Texas, “Coping with Suicide and the Mentally Disturbed Patient,” 1979.

District Counselors Association, Madisonville, Texas, “Normal and Abnormal Anxiety,” 1979.

Texas Association of Student Councils, “Characteristics of Leadership,” 1978.

National Science Foundation (University of Maryland), Chautauqua Short Course, “Ethical Issues in Death and Dying,” 1978.

Work or Professional Experiences

Sam Houston State University	Professor of Philosophy	1994-present
	Dean, College of Arts And Sciences	1981-1994
	Acting Dean, College of Humanities	1970-1979
Stratford College	Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Philosophy and Religion	1969-1970
Bradley University	Assistant Professor	1968-1969

University of Missouri-Columbia	Instructor	1966-1968
Northeast Louisiana State University	Assistant Professor	1964-1966
University of Missouri-Columbia	Assistant Professor	1961-1964

Honors and Awards

Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, SHSU, 1978.
Submitted by SHSU for Piper Professor Award, 1978.
Golden Key National Honor Society, 1983.

Other Competencies

Advisor, Sam Center