

Timothy W. Kirk, PhD

Curriculum Vitae

Ethics Program/Department of Philosophy
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PROFESSIONAL FOCUS

- *Areas of Specialization*

Clinical Healthcare Ethics (Especially Nursing Ethics), Traditional and Contemporary Moral Philosophy, Philosophy of Nursing

- *Areas of Teaching Competence*

Business Ethics, 20th Century Continental Philosophy, Philosophy of Medicine, Critical Thinking

EDUCATION

- *Temple University, Philadelphia, PA*

Graduate work in Public Health (ongoing, 2007 – present)

- *Villanova University, Villanova, PA*

Doctor of Philosophy in Philosophy (Spring 2004)

Dissertation: “The Moral Significance of Intimacy in Nurse-Patient Relationships”

Master of Arts in Philosophy (1998)

- *University of Pennsylvania Medical Center/Center for Bioethics, Philadelphia, PA*

Internship in Clinical Ethics (1997)

- *Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA*

Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy and History, *cum laude* (1993)

HONORS

Teaching

- Semi-finalist, Lindback Award for Teaching (2006)
- Bridge Builder Award for Teaching Undergraduate Students with Learning Disabilities (2002, 2003)
- Harvey Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching (1997)

Graduate and Undergraduate Education

- Phi Kappa Phi (1999)
- Elizabeth Cady Stanton Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Women’s Studies (1997)
- Graduate Fellowship in Philosophy (1994-98)
- Phi Beta Kappa (1993)
- William A. Bucknell Prize in English Literature (1993)
- Preston Warren Prize in Philosophy (1993)
- Omicron Delta Kappa (1992)
- Phi Alpha Theta (1992)

CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

- *Catherine of Siena Fellow in Ethics*, Villanova University (2005-present)
- *Visiting Assistant Professor of Philosophy*, Villanova University (2004-present)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- *National Ethics Committee*, National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization, (2007-present)
 - Chair, task force on caring for patients with implantable cardioverter-defibrillators (2007-2008)
 - Co-Chair, task force on palliative sedation therapy (2008-present)
- *Executive Committee*, International Philosophy of Nursing Society, (2007-present)
- *Manuscript Reviewer*, *Cancer: The Interdisciplinary International Journal of the American Cancer Society* (2007-present)

SCHOLARSHIP**Publications**

(* indicates peer-reviewed)

- *Kirk, Timothy W. "Deactivation of Automatic Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillators in Hospice and Home Care Patients at the End of Life" *Home Healthcare Nurse* [accepted & forthcoming].
- *Kirk, Timothy W. "Beyond Empathy: Clinical Intimacy in Nursing Practice." *Nursing Philosophy* 8, no. 4 (2007): 233-243.
- Kirk, Timothy W. "Implantable Cardioverter-Defibrillators and Hospice Care." *IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology* 26, no. 4 (2007): 82-84.
- *Kirk, Timothy W. "Managing Pain, Managing Ethics." *Pain Management Nursing* 8, no. 1 (2007): 25-34.
- Kirk, Timothy W. Review of *Mothers and Midwives: The Ethical Journey*, by Faye Thompson. *Nursing Philosophy* 7, no. 3 (2006): 181-182.

Presentations

- *Peer Reviewed Presentations*
 - "Deactivation of Implanted Cardiac Devices in Hospice Patients: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Policy Development," (with Ballentine, Jennifer & Nathan Goldstein & Marnie Poncy) *American Society of Bioethics and Humanities Annual Meeting*, Washington, DC, 2007
 - "Nursing Ethics is Not Professional Ethics: Philosophical Problems with the Boundary Paradigm in Nursing," *International Philosophy of Nursing Conference*, University of Wales, Swansea, 2004
 - "The Moral Significance of Intimacy in Parent/Child Relationships," *Ethics in Parenthood*, The World Trade Institute, Pace University, 1999
 - "The Ethical Cartographer: Engelhardt's Mapping of the Geography of Values," *Ethics, Medicine, and Health Care*, Youngstown State University, 1996

- *Invited Presentations*

- “Deactivating Implanted Cardiac Devices in Hospice Patients: Moving from Clinical Ethics to Policy Formation,” University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics, 2007
- Keynote Address, Arcadia University Physician Assistant Graduation Banquet, 2006
- Ethics Grand Rounds (bimonthly), Warren Hospital, 2005-present
- Ethics Grand Rounds, Holy Redeemer Health System, 2001, 2004
- “Teaching Graduate Students to Teach,” invited panel participant at the American Philosophical Association Annual Meeting (Central Division), 2003
- Invited Lecture Series: “Ethics and Physician Assistants: New Maps for Old Waters,” Physician Assistant Studies Program, Arcadia University (3 lectures annually), 1999-present
- Faculty Workshop: “Incorporating Discussion of Student Drinking Behaviors in ETH 2050,” Villanova University, 2001
- Invited panel participant: “Ethics and Aging: Defining the Quality of Life,” Lankenau Hospital and Saunders House, 2001
- “Ethical Considerations in Human Primordial Stem Cell Research,” American Heart Association, Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter, 2000
- “Core Competencies and National Standards for Ethics Committees,” The University of Pennsylvania Medical Center, 1998
- Invited Response: “‘My Propositions are elucidatory in this way ...’: Wittgenstein on Reading the *Tractatus*,” Graduate Conference in Philosophy, Rutgers University, 1995

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- *The University of Pennsylvania*

Ethical Issues in Science, Theoretical Foundations of Healthcare Ethics,
Ethical Aspects of Health & Technology [graduate course]

- *Villanova University*

Ethical Traditions and Contemporary Life, Ethics for Healthcare Professionals, Topics: Intimacy, Philosophy of Human Sexuality, Philosophy of Natural Science, Business Ethics, Introduction to Philosophy, Philosophy of Death & Dying

- *Immaculata College*

Organizational Ethics, Logic and Knowledge, Introduction to Philosophy,
Contemporary Medical Ethics

- *Rosemont College*

Ethics, Philosophy, Technology, and Society, Philosophy of Straight Thinking,
Introduction to Philosophy

- *West Chester University of Pennsylvania*

Introduction to Philosophy

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

- *Lecturer in Healthcare Ethics*, School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania, (2002-2005)
- *Ethics Consultant*, Bryn Mawr Rehab, Jefferson Health System (1998-2000, 2003-2004)
- *Adjunct Instructor of Philosophy and Ethics*, Villanova University (1996-2004)
- *Facilitator in Philosophy*, Accelerated Degree Program, Rosemont College (2000-2002)
- *Adjunct Instructor of Philosophy and Moral Theology*, Immaculata College (1998-2002)
- *Coordinator, Ethics in Science*, Penn Summer Science Academy (1998-2002)
- *Ethics Consultant*, Zohlman Nursing Home and Long Term Care Center (1998-1999)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Member, Ethics Program Steering Committee (2005-present)
- Member, Undergraduate Philosophy Curriculum Committee (2003-2005, 2007-present)
- Member, Faculty Working Group on Integrating Academic Integrity Across the Curriculum (2000)
- Facilitator, Adjunct Faculty Support Group (1997-2000)
- Graduate Student Representative to Graduate Philosophy Committee (1994-96)
- Departmental Representative to Graduate Student Council (1995-96)
- Editorial Board, *CONCEPT: The Graduate Interdisciplinary Journal of Villanova University* (1994-96)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine
- American Association of University Professors
- American Philosophical Association
- American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
- International Association for Hospice & Palliative Care
- International Philosophy of Nursing Society
- National Council of Hospice and Palliative Professionals

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- *Wissahickon Hospice*, volunteer (patient care and education) (2004-present)
- *Vitas Innovative Hospice Care*, volunteer (patient care and education) (2008-present)