

# Stephen E. Schmid

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## Education

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2004  
Dissertation: Indeterminacy in Reductive Color Theories  
Dissertation Chair: Larry Shapiro  
Committee Members: Brie Gertler, Elliott Sober  
Minor: Psychology

M.A., Philosophy, University of Wisconsin–Madison, 2002

B.A., English, Colorado College, 1987  
Departmental Distinction

## Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of Mind  
Philosophy of Psychology

## Areas of Competence

Philosophy of Sport  
Environmental & Applied Ethics

## Academic Experience

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–ROCK COUNTY  
**Assistant Professor, Philosophy**, Fall 2006–Present  
**Lecturer, Philosophy** (full-time), Fall 2004–Spring 2006

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN–MADISON, 1996–2003  
**Teaching Assistant** (Full responsibility: 2 semesters)

## Non–Academic Professional Experience

BHP PETROLEUM–PACIFIC RESOURCES, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1988–1991  
**Communications and Advertising Coordinator**  
Award-winning corporate journalist responsible for employee communications, media relations, crisis communications, executive speeches, and marketing.

## Courses Taught

Asian Philosophy  
Contemporary Moral Issues  
Environmental Ethics  
Ethics

Introduction to Philosophy  
Elementary Logic  
Philosophy of Love, Sex and Friendship  
Social and Political Philosophy

## Academic and Community Service

**Curriculum & Course Improvement Committee**, (Campus), 2005–07, 2009–2011  
Chair and member  
**Evaluations Committee**, (Campus), 2007–2009  
**Faculty and Staff Academic Development Committee**, (Campus), 2011–2013  
**Lecture and Performing Arts Committee**, (Campus), 2009–2011  
**Multiple Hiring Committees**, (Campus), two faculty and two academic staff  
**Assessment Committee**, (Department), 2005–2011  
**Professional Development Committee**, (Department), 2007–2011  
**Virtual Teaching and Learning Center**, Advisory Committee, (Institution), 2010–2012  
**UW Colleges Technology Infusion Task Force**, (Institution), 2011–2012  
**UW Colleges Colloquium Planning Committee**, (Institution), 2007  
**Janesville Leadership Development Academy**, (Community), 2007–2011, Facilitate annual half-day workshop  
**Janesville Farmers' Market**, (Community), Board of Directors, 2008–2010

## Awards, Grants, Recognitions

**Boardman Tasker Prize for Mountain Literature**, 2010, Short-listed Finalist for *Climbing–Philosophy for Everyone* (2010, Wiley–Blackwell)  
Invited to and participated in the U.K. award ceremony. The Boardman Tasker Prize for Mountain Literature is the Booker Prize of mountain literature. Short-listed works are recognized for their significant contribution to mountain literature.

**University of Wisconsin Colleges Summer Research Grant**, 2010  
Grant for collaborative research project, “Encouraging Research University STEM Faculty Members to Improve Teaching Practice,” with Jana Bouwma–Gearhart, University of Kentucky. Resulted in two papers presented at a national education conference and for publication.

**Arthur M. Kaplan Excellence in Teaching Award**, University of Wisconsin Colleges, 2007–08  
Co-recipient of a teaching award in recognition for an innovative delivery method for interdisciplinary studies. The Kaplan Award is a UW–Colleges award recognizing teaching achievements at each campus.

**Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching for Instructional Academic Staff**, University of Wisconsin Colleges, 2006  
UW-Colleges teaching award given to the top Instructional Academic Staff from across the UW Colleges' 13 campuses.

## **Publications**

"Beyond Autotelic Play"

*Journal for the Philosophy of Sport*, October 2011

*Climbing – Philosophy for Everyone: Because It's There*, Editor

Wiley-Blackwell, 2010

Shortlisted finalist, 2010 Boardman Tasker Prize in Mountain Literature

"Reconsidering Autotelic Play"

*Journal for the Philosophy of Sport*, October 2009

## **Presentations**

"Valuing Zero-sum Games"

American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Conference, San Diego, CA,  
April 2011

"Grounding A Theory Of Motivation Through Research Into Teaching Professional Development Experiences Of STEM Faculty"

Association for the Study of Higher Education, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 2010

Co-written with Jana Bouwma-Gearhart, University of Kentucky.

"A Mixed Methods Investigation Into Motivations Of STEM Faculty To Engage In Teaching Professional Development Across Research Institutions"

Association for the Study of Higher Education, Indianapolis, IN, Nov. 2010

Co-written with Jana Bouwma-Gearhart, University of Kentucky.

"Mixed-Methods Study Investigating Research University STEM Faculty Motivation to Engage in Teaching Professional Development"

American Educational Research Association Conference, Denver, CO,

April 2010

Co-written with Jana Bouwma-Gearhart, University of Kentucky

"Beyond Autotelic Play"

37th Annual Meeting of the International Association of the Philosophy of Sport,  
August 2009

“Justifying Play”

American Philosophical Association, Eastern Conference, December 2007

“The Fans’ Power to Corrupt Sports Play”

34th Annual Meeting of the International Association of Philosophy of Sport,  
September 2006

“Trespassing on Ontological Domains: Evidence for a Relational Theory of Colors”

Wisconsin Philosophical Association, April 2005

“Decision Making and Leadership” (invited)

Janesville Leadership Development Academy, February 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011  
Three-hour interactive seminar on decision-making strategies and leadership.

“Intelligent Design in the Class: Where It Belongs and Why” (invited)

University of Wisconsin Colleges Colloquium, May 2007

## **Professional Associations**

American Philosophical Association

International Association of the Philosophy of Sport