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Member, Philadelphia Jung Seminar, Spring 2013.

Referee, Oxford University Press, 2013-present.

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Certified Philosophical Counselor, 2010-present.

Chair, Greater Philadelphia Philosophy Consortium, 2009-2011. <http://www.udel.edu/GPPC/>

Presider, session entitled “Kierkegaard and the Spiritual Life” at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion, Washington, DC, Nov. 18-21, 2006.

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