KU Dissertations and Placement

RECENT TIME-TO-DEGREE STATISTICS

The following time-to-degree information was compiled for the National Research Council (NRC) Assessment of Research Doctorate Programs. From July 1, 2003, through June 30, 2009, nineteen students graduated from KU with a Ph.D. in Philosophy. All nineteen students were full-time students. Their median time to degree was 7.8 years.

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With respect to the following placement information, the following (standard) guidelines were followed:

1. The following document lists only the first academic job obtained after the Ph.D. We have not made efforts to list all subsequent jobs (if any) obtained by each candidate.

2. An ‘academic job’ means the equivalent of a full-time position at a college/university, including two-year community colleges, four year colleges, graduate level colleges/universities, etc. All jobs listed are full-time or tenure-track unless otherwise noted.

3. Excluding those who did not actively seek academic jobs, the success rate from 1976-2001 of our Ph.D. recipients is 80%. Success is measured in terms of having obtained a full-time or tenure-track placement

1967 Ph.D. recipient:


1968 Ph.D. recipient:


1969 Ph.D. recipients:

- C. Ives Waldo III, ‘Concepts, the Self, and Empiricism.’ Advisor: George Roberts.

1970 Ph.D. recipient:

1971 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Dan Collins Johnson, Jr.,** ‘The Meaning and Justification of Ethical Statements.’ Advisor: Richard De George.
- **W. Denver Marbourg,** ‘Action and Bodily Motion.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.
- **C. Merrill Proudfoot,** ‘God Treated as an Unobservable Entity in Scientific Theory.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.

1973 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Gerald N. Matross,** ‘T. H. Green and the Concept of Rights.’ Advisor: Rex Martin.

1974 D. recipient:


1975 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Michael A. Grill,** ‘Descartes: A Re-Interpretation of His Metaphysics and Science.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.
- **Daniel Hughes Wilson,** ‘Field-Theoretic Consciousness.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.

1976 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Clinton Franklin Dunagan,** ‘An Examination of the Possibility of Sensory Experience of an Adequate God.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.
- **Deborah G. Johnson,** ‘Legal Responsibility, Legal Liability and the Explanation of Action.’ Advisor: Rex Martin.
- **Charles Joseph Schlee,** ‘Russell’s Critique of Complete-Symbol Theories of Definite Descriptions.’ Advisor: A. C. Genova.
- **Jim D. Shelton,** ‘Verifiability: The Epistemological Foundation of Logical Empiricism.’ Advisor: J. Michael Young.

1978 Ph.D. recipients:

- **James E. Cook,** ‘Chance and Rationality in the Philosophy of Charles S. Peirce.’ Advisor: Gary Shapiro.
• **Ron Smetana**, ‘Sartrean Ontology and Authenticity.’ Advisor: Gary Shapiro.

1979 Ph.D. recipient:


1981 Ph.D. recipients:

• **Dorothy A. Haecker**, ‘The Historical Way of Knowing.’ Advisor: Rex Martin. *University of Missouri*.

1982 Ph.D. recipients:


1983 Ph.D. recipients:

• **Tim George**, ‘A Study in the Ontology and Explanation of Action.’ Advisor: Rex Martin.

1984 Ph.D. recipients:

• **Donald Hatcher**, ‘The Philosophical Foundations of Simone de Beauvoir’s *The Second Sex*.’ Advisor: Donald Marquis. *Baker University*.

1985 Ph.D. recipients:


1986 Ph.D. recipients:

St. Norbert College.

- **Andrew Clay Ward**, 'Relational Belief and Representationalism.' Advisor: Donald Brownstein.

1987 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Mark T. Brown**, 'Semantic Features of the Identities of Persons.' Advisor: John Bricke. *University of Wisconsin, Marathon County Center.*

1989 Ph.D. recipient:


1991 Ph.D. recipients:


1992 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Richard Botkin**, 'Epistemological Skepticism and Its Challenge to Naturalized Epistemology.' Advisor: A. C. Genova. *Lecturer, Humanities and Western Civilization Program, KU.*
- **Michael Hinz**, 'Self-Creation and History: Collingwood and Nietzsche on Conceptual Change.' Advisor: Rex Martin. *Middle Tennessee State College.*

1993 Ph.D. recipients:

- **John Duffield**, 'The Divine Fire of Francis Bacon.' Advisor: Richard Cole.
1994 Ph.D. recipient:


1995 Ph.D. recipients:


1996 Ph.D. recipient:


1997 Ph.D. recipient:


1998 Ph.D. recipients:

- Darrell Wheeler, ‘Integrating Mind and Language: An Examination of Donald Davidson’s Philosophy.’ Advisor: John Bricke. Towson State College, and University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

1999 Ph.D. recipients:

- Michael Cormack, ‘Virtue, Knowledge, and Happiness in Plato’s Early and Middle Dialogues.’ Advisor: Thomas Tuozzo. Western State College; currently Information Specialist, KU Paleontological Institute.
2000 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Terry Sader**, ‘Time as a Condition of Assertability.’ Advisor: A. C. Genova. *Butler County Community College, Eldorado, KS.*

2001 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Charles Richards**, ‘Ralph Cudworth and the Power to Know.’ Advisor: Richard Cole.

2002 Ph.D. recipients:


2003 Ph.D. recipient:


2004 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Curran Douglass**, ‘On Freedom and Rationality.’ Advisor: John Bricke.
positions at colleges in Los Angeles region.


### 2005 Ph.D. recipients:


### 2006 Ph.D. recipient:


### 2007 Ph.D. recipient:

- **Tamela Ice,** ‘Rethinking the Paradox of Jean-Jacques Rousseau’s Sexual Politics: From Woman’s Alienation, Psychological Oppression and Bad Faith to Liberty.’ Advisor: Ann Cudd. *Kansas City Kansas Community College.*

### 2008 Ph.D. recipients:

- **Keith Coleman,** ‘The Logical Problem of Identity.’ Advisor: Teresa Robertson. *Adjunct Professor, Johnson County Community College.*
- **Monica Gerrek,** ‘Normative Sentimentalism and Animal Ethics.’ Advisor: Ben Eggleston. *Research Associate, Bioethics, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine.*
- **Hyun Chul Kim,** ‘Mental Causation, Intentional Action and Explanatory Practice.’ Advisor: John Bricke. *Chodang University, South Korea.*

### 2009 Ph.D. recipients:

2010 Ph.D. recipient:


2011 Ph.D. recipients:

- Nathan Cox, ‘Substance and Skepticism in Hume’s Treatise.’ Advisor: John Bricke. Lecturer, University of Kansas.

2012 Ph.D. recipient:


2013 Ph.D. recipients:


2014 Ph.D. recipients:

- Huei-Rong Li, ‘Davidson on Actions: Reason, Rationality, and Irrationality.’ Advisor: John Bricke.
- Meredith Trexler, ‘Aesthetic Experience and Becoming Good: An Examination of the Connection between Aesthetics and Ethics in Plato, Kant, and Iris Murdoch.’ Advisor: Thomas Tuozzo. Director of Experiential Learning (Wesleyan Journey), The Center for Global Service Learning, Kansas Wesleyan University.
2015 Ph.D. recipients:


2016 Ph.D. recipients:


2017 Ph.D. recipients: