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## Academic Positions

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2008-Present	Sam Houston State University Department of Psychology and Philosophy Assistant Professor of Philosophy
2007-2008	Sam Houston State University Department of Psychology and Philosophy Visiting Lecturer
2001-2007	University of Utah Department of Philosophy Graduate Instructor

## Education

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- University of Utah, Ph.D., Philosophy, August 1, 2008
  - Dissertation: *Reconsidering the Facilitation of Autonomous Decisionmaking in Genetic Counseling*  
Committee: Leslie Francis (chair), Peggy Battin, Bruce Landesman, Chrisoula Andreou, and Jeff Botkin
- Oregon State University, H.B.S., Microbiology, 1996-2001

## Publications

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- Pepe Lee Chang and **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, "On the Moral Asymmetry of Gametic Contributions," *The American Journal of Bioethics*, forthcoming (expected May 2013).
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "Empowering the Voice on the Left: Defining Progressive Bioethics," *BioScience*, December 2011, Volume 61, Number 12, pp. 1023-1025.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "Unreconcilable differences?," *Hastings Center Report*, July-August 2011, pp. 7-8.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "Can Contracts Enhance Participant Autonomy in Clinical Trials?," *The American Journal of Bioethics*, April 2011, Volume 11, Issue 4, pp. 24-25.
- Pepe Lee Chang and **Diana Buccafurni**, "Is Invading the Sacred For the Sake of Justice Justified?," *The American Journal of Bioethics Neuroscience*, July-September 2010, Volume 1,

Number 3, pp. 48-50.

- **Diana Buccafurni** and Pepe Lee Chang, "Does Prenatal Diagnosis Morally Require Provision of Selective Abortion?," *The American Journal of Bioethics*, August 2009, Volume 9, Number 8, pp. 65-67.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "On the Harm of Selective Abortion for Impairment: Offensive Messages and Practical Effects," revise and resubmit at *The Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal*.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, Review of Elizabeth Hackett and Sally Haslanger's (eds.) *Theorizing Feminisms: A Reader*, *The International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics*, Fall 2008, Volume 1, Number 2, pp. 184-187.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "Kelly's Request for Breast Augmentation," *Teaching Ethics*, Summer 2007, Volume 7, Number 2, pp. 101-103.
- **Diana Buccafurni** and Leslie Francis, "I'm Doing the Best I Can: A Legal and Philosophical Analysis," *Moral Dilemmas in Community Health Care: Cases and Commentaries*, Becky Cox White and Joel Zimbelman, eds., New York: Pearson Longman, 2005, pp. 95-110.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "Advance Directives and the Problem of Personal Identity," *Global Virtue Ethics Review*, James S. Taylor, ed., 2004, Volume 5, Number 2, Symposium on Bioethics Part II, [http://www.spaef.com/GVER\\_PUB/index.html](http://www.spaef.com/GVER_PUB/index.html).
- **Diana Buccafurni**, "The Problem of Perceptual Relativity," *Proceedings of the 2003 Humanities Graduate Conference*, Salt Lake City: University of Utah Press, 2003.

### Under Review

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- Maria Botero, **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, and Donna Desforges, "What Must the Folk Know? The Role of Foreknowledge in Intentionality and Blame Ascriptions," under review at *Philosophical Psychology*.

### In Progress

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- Mary Anne Vincent, **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, and Ananda Wathurawa Manage: "Quality Care of the ICU Patient Family."
  - The question we are interested in answering is whether the Critical Care Family Needs Inventory (CCFNI) will be confirmed in the ICU at Huntsville Memorial Hospital. The CCFNI is an empirically validated instrument that identifies the various needs of family members of ICU patients. From this project we aim to develop an empirically informed account of dignity, and what such an account means in terms of the moral obligations of ICU physicians and nurses.

### Presentations

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- **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, Gordon Lamb, and Maria Botero, American Association for Philosophy Teachers (AAPT), June 1, 2013, "Student Entitlement and Student Evaluation of Teaching: Normative Implications for Undergraduate Pedagogy in Philosophy and Psychology," Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA.

- Maria Botero, **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, and Donna Desforges, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE) 2013 Meeting, “Texan Folk Intuitions on Intentionality, Blame, and the Death Penalty: Where What the Folk Think *Really* Matters,” San Antonio, TX, March 1, 2013.
- **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, “Can Medical Futility Judgments Determine Care Discontinuation?,” December 10, 2012, Huntsville Memorial Hospital Ethics Committee Meeting.
- **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, “On the Moral Value of Dignity,” SHSU Bearkats Read to Succeed Book Forum, November 7, 2012.
- **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, “Dying in Texas: The Texas Advance Directives Act,” Huntsville Unitarian Church, July 15, 2012.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “On Why We Should Care About Henrietta Lacks Anyway: A Primer on Bioethics and Research Ethics,” SHSU Faculty Preview Common Reader Launch, April 27, 2012.
- **Diana Buccafurni** and Mary Anne Vincent, American Society for Bioethics and Humanities (ASBH), 2011 Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, October 13, “The Role of Dignity in Transforming the Dying Experience for Survivors.”
- Maria Botero and **Diana Buccafurni**, SHSU CHSS Research Conference, April 2011, “Moral Judgment, Intentionality, and the Death Penalty.”
- **Diana Buccafurni**, American Association of Philosophy Teachers (AAPT), Eighteenth Biennial International Workshop/Conference on Teaching Philosophy, Coastal Carolina University, South Carolina, July 30, 2010, “Value Transparency in the University Classroom.”
- **Diana Buccafurni**, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, First Annual Research Conference, April 9, 2010, “Extinguishing Life as Respect for Life—A Failed Justification for the Death Penalty.”
- **Diana Buccafurni**, March 6, 2010, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE), Cincinnati, OH, “On the Offensive Character and Practical Effects of Selective Abortion for Impairment.”
- **Diana Buccafurni**, March 6, 2009, Association for Practical and Professional Ethics (APPE), Cincinnati, OH, “Value Transparency in Genetic Counseling.”
- **Diana Buccafurni**, SHSU Faculty: Up Close and Personal, November 18, 2009, 12:00PM, Farrington Pit (Sam Center Program Invitation).
- **Diana Buccafurni**, Session Co-Facilitator for Writing Across the Disciplines, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Teaching Conference, August 2009.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, November 21, 2008, University of Mississippi Medical Center, “An Argument for Value Transparency in Genetic Counseling”.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, March 2008, Pacific APA, Invited Commentary (on William P. Kabasenche’s “Reproductive Technologies, The Parental Love Objection and Moral Development”).
- **Diana Buccafurni**, March 2008, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Philosophy Department, Invited Talk, “Value Transparency in Genetic Counseling”.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, February 2008, Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, Bioethics Department, Invited Talk, “Value Transparency in Genetic Counseling”.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, February 2008, Regis University, Denver, CO, Department of Health Sciences, Invited Talk, “Aquinas on Suicide”.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, January 2008, Sam Houston State University, Psychology and Philosophy Department, Invited Talk, “An Argument for Value Transparency in Genetic Counseling”.

- **Diana Buccafurni**, “The Ethics of Organ Allocation” -- Sam Houston State University, May 2007.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “The Ethics of Organ Allocation” – Walsh University, March 2007.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “Can Selective Abortion Express Disvalue for Persons with Disabilities?: On the Expressive Character of Selective Abortion” – American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities (ASBH), October 2004.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “Can Selective Abortion Express Disvalue for Persons with Disabilities?: On the Expressive Character of Selective Abortion” – Rosenblatt Jr. Speaker Colloquium, University of Utah, September 2004.
- **Diana Buccafurni** and Anton Antommara, “Medical Futility,” VA Medical Center, Salt lake City, UT, May 2004.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, Commentator on Janet Malek’s “The Ethics of Conception and the Possibility of Harm: A Refutation of Parfit”, APA Pacific Division Meeting, March 2004.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “Teaching Bioethics: A Philosopher’s Perspective,” American Society for Bioethics and Humanities-Canadian Bioethics Society Joint Meeting, October 2003.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “The Problem of Perceptual Relativity”, University of Utah Graduate Interdisciplinary Humanities Conference, April 2003.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “The Merits and Demerits of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act,” University of Utah, Philosophy Department, Drugs and Justice Seminar Symposium, Spring 2002.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “The Merits and Demerits of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act”, University of Utah, Philosophy Department, Rosenblatt Jr. Colloquium, September 2002.
- **Diana Buccafurni**, “Advance Directives and the Problem of Personal Identity”, University of Utah, Philosophy Department, Death and Dying Seminar Symposium, Fall 2002.

### **Awards/Fellowships/Grants**

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- **Diana Buccafurni-Huber**, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Department of Psychology and Philosophy, Philosophy Program Service Award, August 2012.
  - **Diana Buccafurni**, Departmental Nominee for Ramona W. Cannon Award for Graduate Student Teaching Excellence in the Humanities, Fall 2005.
  - **Diana Buccafurni**, Steffensen Cannon Graduate Fellowship, 2004-2005.
  - **Diana Buccafurni**, Marriner S. Eccles Fellowship in Political Economy, 2003-2004.
  - **Diana Buccafurni**, Scientific Integrity Fellowship, 2001-2002.

### **Teaching and Research Experience**

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#### **Assistant Professor**

*Sam Houston State University*

Bioethics

Fall 2012, Spring 2011

Death and Dying

Spring 2013, Fall 2012

Spring 2012, Fall 2011, Spring 2011, Fall 2010

Summer 2010, Spring 2010, Fall 2009  
Summer 2009, Spring 2009, Fall 2008  
Ethical Theories  
Spring 2010  
Contemporary Moral Issues  
Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009  
Moral Psychology and Experimental Philosophy (Independent Study)  
Spring 2012  
Metaphysics and Epistemology (Independent Study)  
Fall 2010  
Ethics Theories (Independent Study)  
Spring 2010  
Life, Death and Value (Independent Study)  
Summer 2010  
Bioethics and Feminism (Independent Study)  
Fall 2008

### **Visiting**

*Oregon State University*  
Ethics: Summer 2008

### **Lecturer**

*Sam Houston State University*  
Death and Dying  
Spring 2008, Fall 2007  
Introduction to Philosophy  
Spring 2008, Fall 2007

### **Instructor (Full responsibility for class)**

*University of Utah*  
God, Faith and Reason: Summer 2007  
Feminism: Spring 2007  
Online Bioethics: Fall 2006  
Survey of Philosophy: Summer 2006, Summer 2005  
Ethical Dilemmas: Spring 2006  
Business Ethics: Fall 2005  
Bioethics: Summer 2004

*Weber State University*  
Introduction to Philosophy: Spring 2006, Fall 2005, Summer 2004

*Utah Valley State College*  
Ethics and Values: Summer 2003, Summer 2002

### **Research Assistant**

*University of Utah*  
National Endowment for the Humanities, *Ethics at the End of Life*, Summer 2003

## **Service**

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- Community
    - Huntsville Memorial Hospital Ethics Committee (December 2012-Present)

- Research volunteer at The Methodist Hospital (Houston, TX), The Methodist Hospital Research Institute.
- Sam Houston State University
  - University Level Service
    - SHSU Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC): Fall 2011-Present
  - College Level Service
    - Curriculum Infusion Committee (Read-to-Succeed Common Reader Program)
    - College of Humanities and Social Sciences Curriculum Committee
    - Nursing Program Committee (College of Arts and Sciences)
    - Academic Grievance Committee (College of Humanities and Social Sciences)
      - Chair: June 2011-Present
  - Department Level Service (Department of Psychology and Philosophy)
    - Psychology and Philosophy Curriculum Committee
    - Hiring Committee for Department Chair
  - Program Level Service (Philosophy Program)
    - Phi Sigma Tau Faculty Advisor
    - Faculty Advisor to Undergraduate Philosophy Club
    - Philosophy Program Committee
    - Philosophy Curriculum Committee
    - Philosophy Scholarship Committee
    - Philosophy Hiring Committee
- Spring 2013, McNair Scholar Program Mentor (with Mary Anne Vincent) for Macie Pena
- Reviewer for *The International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics* (IJFAB)
- Reviewer for Palgrave Macmillan Press.
- LDS Hospital (Salt Lake City) Ethics Committee Member, 2002-2005
- University of Utah, Committee Member for IWSPC: Intermountain West Student Philosophy Conference, 2003-2007
- American Society for Bioethics and Humanities, Student Co-President, 2003-2004
- Utah Valley State College, 2003 Regional Ethics Bowl Judge, November 2003
- Assistant to Leslie Francis, organized Pacific APA Division 2004 Meeting, Fall 2003
- Philosophy Department Hiring Committee (Graduate Student Member), Spring 2003
- *American Journal of Bioethics*, reviewer, April 2003
- APA Pacific Division Meeting, Session Chair, March 2003

### **Relevant Proficiencies**

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- *WebCT* proficient (online course development)
  - *Blackboard* proficient (online course development)

### **Professional Development**

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- Attendance/Participant
    - March 2012, Visit to Chimp Haven (sanctuary for chimps retired from government-funded research), Louisiana.

- Scientists Center for Animal Welfare (SCAW) Annual Winter Conference, “IACUC Responsibility and Compliance: New Guide Changes,” San Antonio, TX, Dec. 5-6, 2011.
- Harvard University Program in Ethics and Health: “New Strategies for Health Promotion: Steering Clear of Ethical Pitfalls,” April 28-29, 2011.
- University of Houston Law Center, Conference on Minimal Consciousness: “Minimally Conscious: Grey Matters in Medicine, Law, and Ethics” January 28, 2010.
- CHHS Teaching Conference, SHSU, August 2012, 2009, 2008.
- Writing Across the Curriculum Faculty Writing Workshop, SHSU, May 2008.

## References

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