

# Erica L. Neely

## Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Ph.D., 2005 (Philosophy)  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: M.A., 2000 (Philosophy)  
University of Oxford: B.A., 1997 (Mathematical Sciences)

## Academic Positions

Ohio Northern University, Associate Professor: August 2015-present  
Ohio Northern University, Assistant Professor: September 2008-August 2015  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Visiting Lecturer: August 2005-August 2008

## Areas of Interest

Specialization: Philosophy of Technology, Computer Ethics, Social Philosophy, Epistemology,  
Philosophy of Language  
Competence: Ethics, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Mathematics, Logic

## Academic Publications

- “No Player is Ideal: Why Video Game Designers Cannot Ethically Ignore Players’ Real-World Identities,” *ACM Computers and Society* 47(3), 98-111. doi: 10.1145/3144592.3144602 (2017)
- “The Risks of Revolution: Ethical Dilemmas in 3D Printing from a US Perspective,” *Journal of Science and Engineering Ethics* 22(5), 1285-1297. doi: 10.1007/s11948-015-9707-4 (2016)
- “The Care of the Reaper Man: Death, the Auditors, and the Importance of Individuality.” In J. Held & J. South (Eds.) *Philosophy and Terry Pratchett*. Palgrave MacMillan. (2014)
- “Machines and the Moral Community,” *Philosophy and Technology* 27(1), 97-111. doi: 10.1007/s13347-013-0114-y (2013)
- “Two Concepts of Community,” *Social Philosophy Today* 28, 147-158. doi: 10.5840/socphiltoday20122810 (2012)

## Philosophical Works in Progress

- “The Ethics of Choice in Single-Player Video Games” (under submission)  
“Augmented Reality, Augmented Ethics: Who Has the Right to Augment a Particular Physical Space?” (under submission)  
“Intertwining Identities: Why There is No Escaping Physical Identity in the Virtual World”  
“Moor Food for Thought: 5 Key Issues in Computer Ethics”

## Other Publications

“Being is Believing: Action, Character, and Belief in the Work of Tanya Huff” in Tanya Huff, *Finding Magic*. Deerfield: ISFiC Press, 2007.

## Conference Papers

“Come for the game, stay for the cash grab: the ethics of loot boxes, microtransactions, and freemium games”: ETHICOMP Conference, September 2018

“Digitally Disabled: Accessibility and Inclusion in Video Games and Virtual Worlds”: The North American Society for Social Philosophy’s Thirty-Fifth International Social Philosophy Conference, July 2018

“Augmented Reality, Augmented Ethics: Who Has the Right to Augment a Particular Physical Space?”: The International Association for Computing and Philosophy’s Annual Meeting, June 2017

“No Player is Ideal: Why Video Game Designers Cannot Ethically Ignore Players’ Real-World Identities”: Computer Ethics/Philosophical Enquiry (CEPE)/ETHICOMP Joint Conference, June 2017

“Video Games, Power, and Social Responsibility”: The North American Society for Social Philosophy’s Thirty-Third International Social Philosophy Conference, July 2016

“The Ethics of Choice in Single-Player Video Games”: The International Association for Computing and Philosophy’s Annual Meeting, June 2016

“The Risks of Revolution: Ethical Dilemmas in 3D Printing”: Computer Ethics: Philosophical Enquiry (CEPE)/ETHICOMP Joint Conference, June 2014

“Intertwining Identities: Why There is No Escaping Physical Identity in the Virtual World”: The International Association for Computing and Philosophy’s Annual Meeting, July 2013

“Virtuous Salads and Sinful Desserts: How the Rhetoric of Morality Taints our Relationship to Food”: The North American Society for Social Philosophy’s Thirtieth International Social Philosophy Conference, July 2013

“Machines and the Moral Community”: The Society for the Study of Artificial Intelligence and Simulation of Behavior/The International Association for Computing and Philosophy World Congress 2012, July 2012

“Two Concepts of Community”: North American Society for Social Philosophy’s Twenty-Eighth International Social Philosophy Conference, July 2011

“Pointing Out the Experts”: Ohio Philosophical Association, April 2011

“Knowledge, Authority, and Expertise”: UIUC, September 2003; Illinois Philosophical Association, November 2003

### **Invited Talks**

“Choose Your Own Morality: Using Video Games to Promote Moral Reflection”: University of Minnesota Duluth, March 2018

“Game Design and Real World Identities: A Panel Discussion of Videogame Ethics”: University of Minnesota Duluth, March 2018

“Moor Food for Thought: 5 Key Issues in Computer Ethics”: Invited Symposium, The International Association for Computing and Philosophy’s Annual Meeting, July 2013

### **Peer Reviews**

Conference paper, Ohio Philosophical Association, February 2018

Conference abstracts, ETHICOMP, January 2018

Article, *Scientometrics*, September 2017

Article, *Journal of Science and Engineering Ethics*, January 2017

Conference paper, Ohio Philosophical Association, January 2017

Article, *Journal of Science and Engineering Ethics*, November 2016

Conference paper, Ohio Philosophical Association, February 2016

Article, *Ethics and Information Technology*, October 2015

Online logic exercises, academic press, August 2015

Textbook, Oxford University Press, August 2014

Article, *Philosophy & Technology*, February 2014

Article, *Philosophy & Technology*, November 2013

Abstracts, IEEE Conference on Ethics, November 2013

Article, *Philosophy & Technology*, September 2013

Article, *Philosophy & Technology*, July 2013

Article, *Philosophy & Technology*, May 2013

Textbook, Oxford University Press, December 2010

Textbook, Oxford University Press, July 2010

Book, MIT Press, May 2010

### **Dissertation**

Title: Competence, Expertise, and Linguistic Communities

Committee: Gary Ebbs (Director), Timothy McCarthy, Steven Wagner, Peter Lasersohn

### **Academic Honors and Awards**

Sara A. Ridenour Endowed Chair in the Humanities, ONU: 2016-2017  
Dean's Award, ONU: Summer 2014  
Summer Faculty Development Grant, ONU: Summer 2013  
List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent, UIUC: Spring 2006, Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Fall 2008  
Caton Essay Prize, "Towards a New View of Linguistic Competence," UIUC: 2005  
University of Illinois Dissertation Completion Fellowship, UIUC: 2002-2003  
Wellington W. Scott and Elizabeth Pical Scott Fellowship, UIUC: 1998-2000, 2001-2002

### **Professional Activity and Service**

Member, CEPE 2019 Program Committee  
Member, ETHICOMP Conference Series Steering Committee, October 2017-present  
Chair, "Metaphysics Session," Ohio Philosophical Association Annual Conference, April 2017  
Chair, "Memory and Forgiveness," NASSP Annual Conference, July 2016  
Selection Adviser for online exercises to accompany David Kelley's *The Art of Reasoning*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., W.W. Norton & Co.  
Chair, "Aristotle and Food," NASSP Annual Conference, July 2013  
Attendee, APA Conference on Diversity in Philosophy, May 2013  
Chair, "Sure the Emperor Has No Clothes, But You Shouldn't Say That": APA Central Division Meeting, February 2013  
Chair, "Recognition, Rights, and Global Justice": North American Society for Social Philosophy's Twenty-Eighth International Social Philosophy Conference, July 2011  
Chair, "The Semantic Naturalist Fallacy": APA Central Division Meeting, April 2011  
Chair, "Restoration and the Sacred": Recreate, Replace, Restore: Exploring the Intersections between Meanings and Environments, April 2009  
Chair, "Is Understanding a Species of Knowledge": APA Central Division Meeting, April 2005  
Referee, Graduate Student Conference, UIUC: 1998-2005

### **University, College, and Departmental Service**

Member, College of A&S Accommodations Appeal Committee, ONU, Fall 2014-present  
Advisor, Phi Alpha Delta (pre-law honorary), Spring 2012-present  
Advisor, Phi Sigma Tau (philosophy honorary), Fall 2009-present  
Chair, Selection Committee, Sara Ridenour Chair, Spring 2017  
Secretary, University Council, Fall 2015-Spring 2017  
Member, Search Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Fall 2016-Spring 2017  
Member, Pre-Law Advisory Committee, Fall 2010-Spring 2012; Fall 2015-Spring 2016  
Member, Search Committee, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Fall 2014-Spring 2015  
Secretary, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Fall 2009-Spring 2015  
Advisor, ONU Pulse, Fall 2013-Spring 2015  
Co-Chair, Pre-Law Advisory Committee, Spring 2012-Spring 2014  
Advisor, Northern Advocates for Gender Equality, Fall 2009-Spring 2013  
Advisor, Philosophy Club, Winter 2008-Spring 2013  
Interviewer, ONU Distinguished Achievement Scholarship, February 2010

## Public Philosophy

- Presentation: “Choose Your Own Morality: Using Video Games to Promote Moral Reflection”:  
MARCON, May 2018
- Panelist, “Is Gaming Addiction Real?”: Windycon, November 2017
- Presentation: “No Player is Ideal: Why Video Game Designers Cannot Ethically Ignore Players’  
Real-World Identities”:  
MARCON, May 2017
- Presentation: “Video Games, Power, and Social Responsibility”:  
MARCON, May 2017
- Article: “Bodies Printed on Demand,” *The Times Literary Supplement*, November 18, 2016
- Interview: “Pokémon Go Craze Benefits,” *Noon Edition*, WLIO, September 7, 2016
- Interviewed for “Ohio Northern professors study benefits of Pokémon Go”, *Lima News*,  
September 3, 2016
- Interview on video game ethics, *All Sides with Ann Fisher*, WOSU, July 26, 2016.
- Article: “Ethically, must game designers respond to all player requests?” *The Conversation*, July  
20, 2016.
- Panelist, “Empowering Women to be Comfortable in Gaming”:  
MARCON, May 2015
- Panelist, “Girls & Gaming”:  
MARCON, May 2015
- Panelist, “Visions of Freedom in a Science Fiction Future”:  
MARCON, May 2015
- Chair and Panelist, “Explore the Philosophical Side of Science Fiction”:  
Chicon 7, August 2012
- Panelist, “The Role of Science Fiction for Teaching Critical Thinking”:  
Chicon 7, August 2012
- Chair and Panelist, “Ethics and Video Games”:  
MARCON, April 2012
- Chair and Panelist, “The Nature of Consciousness”:  
Confluence, July 2006

## Professional Memberships

- American Philosophical Association  
International Association for Computing and Philosophy  
International Society for Ethics and Information Technology  
North American Society for Social Philosophy

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