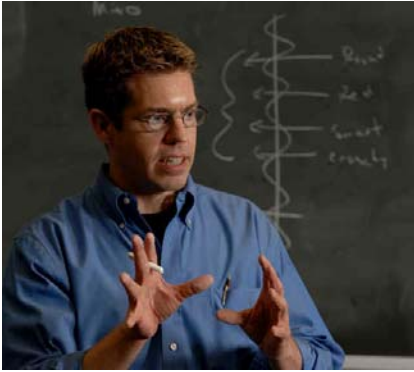


## Brief Bio and (PR)<sup>2</sup>: Problems & Pitches – Rants & Raves by Tony Beavers



### Self Introduction

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- list of up to five major publications
  - "Noesis and the Encyclopedic Internet Vision," *Synthese*, forthcoming.
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- list of relevant projects you are working on
  - Noesis: Philosophical Research Online
  - The Indiana Philosophy Ontology Project
  - Dynamic Associative Networks and the Search for Initial Intelligence
  - Co-editor with Colin Allen, "Representing Philosophy," special issue of *Synthese*, forthcoming.
  - Editor, "Robot Ethics and Human Ethics," special issue of *Ethics and Information Technology*, forthcoming.
- links to data or software you serve (if applicable)
  - <http://noesis.evansville.edu>
- link to your home page.
  - <http://faculty.evansville.edu/tb2/>

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*If you are a scientometrician/science map maker:* In what ways might philosophers or historians of science benefit from your work?

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