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Dr. Thompson is a senior lecturer in the Department of Philosophy and Religion. He has been at UNT for seven years, serving as the Director of Undergraduate Students and Undergraduate Advisor for his department for six of those seven years. His area of expertise is Modern Philosophy, in particular the works of Immanuel Kant, but he also pursues academic interests in philosophy of mind, aesthetics, phenomenology and the general history of the development of ideas. As a professor of Philosophy Dr. Thompson's passion is for his students' education, hoping that their time spent at UNT is that will provide a firm foundation for being open-minded, well-rounded citizens through the free exchange of ideas and critical dialogue about all aspects of their lives. He regularly teaches for the Honors College and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute- believing that education is not merely a 4 year process, but one that continues through all the phases of life. Professor Thompson's most recent accomplishments are 1) a book published on the role of imagination in Kant's critical philosophy, 2) Fessor Graham award 2016 and 3) a generous grant through the We Mean Green Fund to restore the grounds of UNT's Discovery Park campus to native prairie.