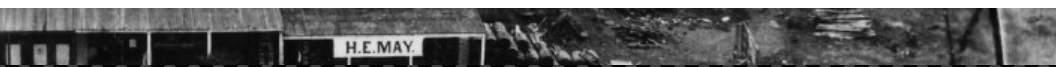


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ENV 115

COLLOQUIUM 1:
The Violence of Metaphysics: Animal Liberation and the Problem of Resistance

“Decolonization and Animal Liberation: Violence and Becoming-Animal in Frantz Fanon’s *The Wretched of the Earth*”
Adam Weitzenfeld
University of North Texas

“Power, Possibility, and the Problem of Resistance”
Frank Garrett
University of Texas at Dallas

Moderator: Belinda Santos, Texas Woman’s

Thursday
5:00 – 5:55 pm
ENV 130

COLLOQUIUM 2:
Issues in Environmental Education

“Education for Environmental Citizenship”
AMY POKROSS
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

“Save the Earth on Your Own Time: An Argument for Limited Advocacy in Teaching Environmental Ethics”
JASON SIMUS
TEXAS A&M AT COMMERCE

Moderator: Eugene Hargrove, University of North Texas

Thursday
5:00 - 5:55 pm
ENV 125

"Obligations of the Affluent: A Two--Threshold Framework"
ALEXANDER FELDT
UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Comments:
Jennifer Rowland, University of North Texas

Thursday
5:00 - 5:55 pm
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 3:
The Writing of the Disaster

"Wound Marks in the Air: An Examination of Ethics and Justice in the Poetry of Celan"
SHELLIE MCCULLOUGH
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

"The Eternal Return of the Disaster:
Ethically/Excellently Questioning Nietzsche through the texts of Blanchot and Heraclitus"
JUSTIN BOYD
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

Moderator: Frank Garrett, University of Texas at Dallas

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COLLOQUIUM 4:
*Nietzsche and His Philosophical Readers:
Language, History and Natural Knowledge*

"Nietzsche, Bataille, Deleuze: On
Convalescence, Language and Negativity"

JARED BLY

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

"History and Life: Nietzsche's Natural
Knowledge"

JORDAN BATSON

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

Moderator: Dennis Erwin, University of North
Texas

Thursday
8:15 – 9:15 pm
ENV 130

COLLOQUIUM 5:
*Finding a Transdisciplinary Path: Philosophizing
in the Age of Ethereal Control*

"Reclaiming Cynicism: Philosophy Beyond the
Academy"

ALEX MOSIAK

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF
INTERDISCIPLINARITY AT UNT

"The Philosopher's Labors: Active Decision v
Passive Choice in the Society of Control"

KEITH BROWN

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF
INTERDISCIPLINARITY AT UNT

"Commensuration and the Metrics of
Existence"

KELLI BARR

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF
INTERDISCIPLINARITY AT UNT

Thursday
8:15 – 9:15 pm
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 6:
*Classical and Argumentative Approaches to
the Problem of Evil*

"*Timaeus* on the Nature of Evil"

IMGE ORANLI
DEPAUL UNIVERSITY

"The Existence of Evil: Evidence for or Against
Theism?"

OSUP KWON
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Glen Miller, University of North
Texas

Thursday
8:15 – 9:15 pm
ENV 125

"Aristotle on the Voluntary"

BRYAN REECE
OXFORD UNIVERSITY

Comments: Omar Rivera, Southwestern
University

Thursday
9:20 - 10:20 pm
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 7:
New Themes in Existential Philosophy

"'Being Alive, Being Conscious, and Being':
An Existential Reading of Heraclitus' Fragment
101"

SHAWN LOHT
MERCER UNIVERSITY

"Indirect Communication, Existential
Distinction and Ambiguity in Kierkegaard's
Postscript"

VINOD LAKSHMIPATHY
RICE UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Brian Harding, Texas Woman's
University

Thursday
9:20-10:20 pm
ENV 125

"Separation and the Capacity for
Independent Existence"
CHRIS TWEEDT
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Comments: Philip Hopkins, Southwestern
University

FRIDAY

12:30 – 1:00 pm

REGISTRATION

Friday
1:00 – 2:00 pm
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 8:
Philosophical Elucidations of Nietzsche

"On the Last Man's Reconciliation with
Metaphysics in Nietzsche's Zarathustra"
DALE WILKERSON
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

"Nietzsche on the Design of Homer and the
Organism"
PAUL SWIFT
BRYANT UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Christian Roos, University of
Arkansas

Friday
1:00 – 2:00 pm
ENV 115

COLLOQUIUM 9:
Readings from the Dialogues of Plato

"The Palamedes Triad in *Phaedrus*"
MARSHALL BRADLEY
SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

"On Cleitophon's Admiration for the First
Speech of Socrates in Plato's *Cleitophon*"
SHANE GASSAWAY
TULANE UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Imge Oranli, DePaul University

Friday
2:05 – 3:05 pm
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 10:
Heidegger and the Possibility of Authenticity

“Narrativity and Heideggerian Authenticity”
STEVEN DELAY
RICE UNIVERSITY

“(Im)possibility of an Authentic Identity”
SOBIA KHAN
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

Moderator: Philip Day, University of North
Texas

Friday
2:05 – 3:05 pm
ENV 115

COLLOQUIUM 11:
Discussions from the Work of MacIntyre

“MacIntyre’s Particularism about Practical
Rationality: Does it Consign Fragmented
Modern Selves to Homelessness?”
NATHAN CARSON
BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

“Nietzsche *and* Aristotle: Taking Virtue Ethics
Beyond Virtue”
THOMAS MILES
BOSTON COLLEGE

Moderator: Carl Sachs, University of North
Texas

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COLLOQUIUM 12:
Topics in Early Modern Philosophy

“Descartes’ ‘Traditional Epistemology’”
AMANDA HALE
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

“Some Unremarked Continuities between the
Letter to Wedderkopf and the *Confessio
Philosophi*”
JACOB MILLS
RICE UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Helga Kocurek, Texas A&M
University

Friday
3:10 – 4:10 pm
ENV 115

COLLOQUIUM 13:
*New Voices, New Practices in
Phenomenology*

“Phenomenology of the Voice: Expression
and Indication in Husserl’s *Logical
Investigations*”
J. EDWARD HACKETT
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

“Phenomenology of Erotic Life: Between
Intimacy and Perversion”
MATTHEW KEEFER
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

Moderator: Nathan Bell, University of North
Texas

Friday
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CHARLES BAMBACH
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS
“Hölderlin’s Böhlendorff Letter: Thinking the
Poetic Measure of the Other”

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COLLOQUIUM 14:
Research in Early Modern Intellectual History

"Redeeming Enthusiasm: God, Enthusiasm
and Reason in Shaftesbury's *The Moralists*"
FRANCESCA DI POPPA
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

"John Buridan and the Legacy of Demon
Skepticism"
DAVID GADON
FORDHAM UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Omar Fakhri, Texas Tech
University

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COLLOQUIUM 15:
Topics in Contemporary French Philosophy

"Self-Reference in Badiou and Deleuze"
ALISTAIR WELCHMAN
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO

"Derrida's Lifeworld: Art, Autobiography and
Archive"
MARSHALL NEEDLEMAN ARMINTOR
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

Moderator: Jared Bly, University of North
Texas

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Square

SPECIAL FILM SCREENING

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the American West"

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Half Hour screening of the documentary,
followed by a discussion with the film's co-
director, Irene Klaver, Associate Professor at
the University of North Texas.

Reception for the film at Wine², 11:00pm.

SATURDAY

8:00 – 8:55 am

Registration and Continental Breakfast

Saturday
9:00 – 9:55 am
ENV 130

COLLOQUIUM 16:
Postmodern Applications

"The Grotesque in Contemporary Dance:
The Aesthetics of Disruption"

BELINDA SANTOS
TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

"Towards a Metaphysics of Significance"

ANDY AMATO
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

Moderator: Adam Weitzenfeld, University of
North Texas

Saturday
9:00 – 9:55 am
ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 17:
Topics in the Philosophy of Science

“An Underdetermination Argument against Underdetermination”

OMAR FAKHRI
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

“Empirical and Philosophical Considerations of Happiness”

HELGA KOCUREK
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Amanda Hale, Texas Tech University

Saturday
9:00 – 9:55 am
ENV 125

COLLOQUIUM 18:
Critical Considerations of Rawls

“The Status of the Natural World: Toward an Ecological Revision of Justice as Fairness”

JENNIFER ROWLAND
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

“Defusing Moderate Perfectionism”

JAMES MORTON
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Moderator: David Utsler, University of North Texas

Saturday
10:00-11:00am
ENV 130

INVITED ADDRESS

BOB WOOD
UNIVERSITY OF DALLAS

What Is Seeing? A Philosophical Approach to Neural-Psychology”

Saturday
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ENV 110

COLLOQUIUM 19:
Topics in Moral Philosophy

"Is an Agent's Moral Profile Determined by Her Character?"

MARK ANDERSON
TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE

"Justifying Moral Judgments: The (Non?) Threat of Jesse Prinz's Moral Relativism"

MARGARET SCHMITT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Moderator: Kelli Barr, University of North Texas

Saturday
10:00-11:00am
ENV 125

COLLOQUIUM 20:
Paul Ricoeur and Environmental Philosophy

"Ricoeur and Nature: Environmental Hermeneutics in Text, Action and the Other"

NATHAN BELL
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

"Rudimentary Fragments of a Ricoeurian Environmental Hermeneutics"

DAVID UTSLER
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

Moderator: Philip Day, University of North Texas

11:00 – 11:15 am

Morning Break

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"Sellars and Merleau-Ponty as Post-
Kantians?: Radicalizing Kant's Rejection of
the Sensory-Cognitive Continuum"

CARL SACHS

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS

"John Dewey's Cultural Naturalism:
Antifoundationalism and the Cultural
Function of Philosophy"

MARINA OZERNOV

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS

Moderator: Mark Thames: El Centro College

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COLLOQUIUM 22:

Critical Encounters with Heidegger

"On Heidegger's Understanding of
Nietzsche's Aphoristic Style"

SAMUEL STONER

TULANE UNIVERSITY

"The End of Philosophy and the Morality of
Paying Attention: Phenomenology and
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MARK THAMES
EL CENTRO COLLEGE

Comments: James Kirk, Collin College

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"The Will to Power: Myth or
Truth?...Philosophy: Art or Science?"
CHRISTIAN ROOS
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Comments: Paul Swift, Bryant University

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