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Conference

**Power, Protest, and the  
Future of Democracy**

July 17 to July 19, 2014  
Southern Oregon University  
Ashland, Oregon

**Thursday, July 17**

**Registration:** 8:15 am – 12:00 pm (Lobby of Stevenson)

**Breakfast:** 8:15 – 9:00 am (Lobby of Stevenson)

Session I: 9:00 – 10:20 am

**I-A. Conceiving of Harm (SU 319)**

Chair: David K. Chan, University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point  
Disability, Harm, and the Law  
Jeff Brown, University of Denver  
Defending the Counterfactual Comparative Account of Harm  
Nathan Hanna, Drexel University

**I-B. Grasping Gandhi (Rogue River Room, SU)**

Chair: Antoinette DeMotta, University of Maine  
Civil Disobedience, Democracy and the 21st Century Citizen:  
A Gandhian Approach  
Prakash Chenjeri, Southern Oregon University  
Gandhi's Choice: Function of Convenience?  
Shweta Singh, University of Delhi

**I-C. The Nature of Power (SU 313)**

Chair: Patricia Omamomo Agboro, University of Lagos  
A Brief Argument Against Activist Views of Power  
Mark Schranz, University of Toronto  
The Fiction of Sovereign Power  
Torsten Menge, Georgetown University

**I-D. Education and Justice (SU 330)**

Chair: Crista Lebens, University of Wisconsin – Whitewater  
Is Diversity Necessary for Educational Justice?  
Michael Merry, University of Amsterdam  
Improvisational Pedagogy  
David Kenneth Johnson and Matt Silliman,  
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

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Session II: ~~9:00~~ am – 12:00 pm

**II-A. Speech and Consent (SU 330)**

Chair: Jeff Brown, University of Denver  
Hate Speech as Oppressive Acts: Challenging Dworkin on  
the First Amendment and Democratic Legitimacy  
John M. Ramsey, Scripps College (MacKinnon)  
Yes Means Yes: Does MacKinnon's View of Sexuality  
Allow for Sexual Consent?  
Amanda Huminski, The Graduate Center, City  
University of New York

**II-B. Neoliberal Globalization (SU River Rouge Room)**

Chair: Max G. Cherem, Kalamazoo College  
The Effects of GATS on Higher Education and Democracy  
Margaret A. Crouch, Eastern Michigan University  
The Undemocratic Institutions and Unequal Outcomes of  
Global Capitalism: A Deweyan Reflection on the Principles  
and Practices of Globalization  
Michael Thomas Schleeter, Pacific Lutheran  
University

**II-C. Marginalization of the Political (SU 313)**

Chair: Susan Dieleman, Dalhousie University  
What Do They Want? A Critique of Democratic  
(Non)Relations in the United States.  
George N. Fourlas, University of Oregon  
Depoliticization and Genetically Modified Foods  
Daniel Hicks, Rotman Institute of Philosophy,  
Western University

**II-D. Reasoning about Rawls (SU 319)**

Chair: Nathan Hanna, Drexel University  
Shelby, Mills and the Debate Over Rawls and Race  
D.C. Matthew, York University  
Is There a Rawlsian Duty to Engage in Civil Disobedience?  
Karin R. Howe, Binghamton University

**Lunch** (on one's own): 12:00 – 1:45 pm

**Session III: 1:45 – 3:45 pm**

**III-A. Immigration Justice** (Library 352)

Chair: Melissa A. Mosko, Canisius College  
The Ethics of Immigration and the Justice of Immigration Policies  
Peter W. Higgins, Eastern Michigan University  
Migrant Rights and Obligations to Community: A Perspective on Open Borders  
Jessica V. Wielgus, Binghamton University  
Due Process and Refugee Human Rights: Against the Unilateral Right to Exclude  
Max G. Cherem, Kalamazoo College

**III-B. Democracy and Knowledge** (SU 319)

Chair: John M. Ramsey, Scripps College  
Toward a Feminist Theory of Democratic Legitimacy  
Susan Dieleman, Dalhousie University  
Democracy, Deliberation and Ignorance  
James Boettcher, Saint Joseph's University  
Democracy in the Selva Selvaggia: Ortega y Gasset on Democratic Practice in Times of Excessive Information  
Justin Pack, University of Oregon

**III-C. Medicalization of Social Phenomena** (SU 330)

Chair: Kayleigh A. Doherty, Arizona State University  
From Dementia Praecox to Split Personality to Paranoid Schizophrenia: Injustice and the Contingency of Schizophrenia  
Abigail E. Gosselin, Regis University  
Towards a Phenomenology of Autism  
Antoinette DeMotta, University of Maine  
Medicalizing Queer Bodies: From Diseased to Equal and Back Again  
Barry DeCoster, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

**III-D. Feminist Progress** (SU Rogue River Room)

Chair: Daniel Hicks, Rotman Institute of Philosophy, Western University  
Women's Issues and Equality in the Public Sphere: The Nigerian Experience  
Patricia Omamomo Agboro, University of Lagos  
Does the Demand for Political Justification Grounded in Actual Consent Lead to a Politics of Coercion?  
Celeste D. Harvey, Marquette University  
Stand-Up Women: Lessons from the History of Women-led Protests  
Caroline Rebecca Lundquist, Lane Community College

**III-E. Sovereign Masculinity: Gender Lessons from the War on Terror: A Conversation with the Author, Bonnie Mann** (Library 305)

Chair: David Matthew Reese, University of Oregon  
Tom Digby, Springfield College  
Devora Shapiro, Southern Oregon University  
Bonnie Mann, University of Oregon

**Refreshment Break: 3:45 – 4:00 pm**

**First Plenary Session: 4:00 – 5:30 pm** (Meese Room, Library 305)

Thomas Christiano, University of Arizona,  
“Democracy, Migration, and International Institutions”

Chair: Sally J. Scholz, Villanova University

**Reception: 5:30 – 6:30 pm** (Meese Room, Library 305)

## Friday, July 18

**Registration:** 8:15 am – 12:00 pm (Lobby of Stevenson Union)

**Breakfast:** 8:15 – 9:00 am (Lobby of Stevenson Union)

Session IV: 9:00 – 10:20 am

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### IV-A. Intersectionality (SU 330)

Chair: Alison Bailey, Illinois State University  
Defending Society from Abnormality: The Intersectionality of Race, Sex and Sexuality

Jordan Liz, University of Memphis  
The Problem with Progress: Recognition, Community, and Nonvisible Disability

Kelsey N. Borrowman, Villanova University

### IV-B. Appreciating Arendt (SU Rogue River Room)

Chair: Ramona Ilea, Pacific University  
In Search of the Good Revolution: Arendt's *On Revolution* Revisited

Florian J. Grosser, University of California – Berkeley, University of St. Gallen

Sleepwalker: Arendt, Thoughtlessness, and the Question of Little Eichmanns

Larry Busk, University of Oregon

### IV-C. Ownership (SU 313)

Chair: Barrett Emerick, St. Mary's College of Maryland  
Who is Entitled to What?: Rawls and Nozick on Entitlement, Ownership, and Justice

Alan Preston Reynolds, University of Oregon  
Defending the Labor-Mixing Theory of Property  
Tim Tung-Ying Wu, University of Missouri – Columbia

### IV-D. The Meaning of Protest (SU 319)

Chair: Ashley C. Acosta-Fox, University of Kansas  
How Do We Protest? - Confluence and Not Consensus in Deliberative Democracy

Joel Chow, University of Arizona

Protest As Compassionate Dialogue: A Buddhist Response to the Globalization of Alienation

Jen Abbe Miller, Millersville University

### Refreshment Break: 10:20 – 10:40 am

Session V: 10:40 am – 12:00 pm

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### V-A. Violence and Protest (SU 330)

Chair: Jen Abbe Miller, Millersville University  
Camus' The Just Assassins & Islamic Suicide Bombing  
Geoffrey G. Karabin, Neumann University

Eco-Sabotage, Eco-Terrorism, and Civil Disobedience  
Matthew Pamental, University of Tennessee

### V-B. Individual Responsibility for Structural Injustice (SU Rogue River Room, SU)

Chair: Wenwen Fan, University of Missouri – Columbia  
Personal Responsibility for Systemic Injustice

Cullen Padgett Walsh, Iowa State University

Meeting One's Structural Responsibilities  
Corwin Aragon, Concordia College

### V-C. Parental Obligations (SU 319)

Chair: Michael D. Doan, Eastern Michigan University  
Vaccine Refusal and Conscientious Objection  
Mark Navin, Oakland University

Voluntarism and Parental Obligations: Concerns for Children  
Nikoo Najand, Queen's University

**V-D. Transnational Solidarity** (Library 352)

Chair: Jordan Liz, University of Memphis  
Transnational Feminist Solidarity and Lessons from the 2011  
Protests in Tahrir Square

Sally J. Scholz, Villanova University  
Power-with and Participatory Politics, National and  
Transnational

Carol C. Gould, Hunter College and the Graduate  
Center, City University of New York

**V-E. Epistemic Injustice and Race** (SU 313)

Chair: Jacob Affolter, University of Kentucky  
Know Thyself: Self-Knowledge and Resistance

Kayleigh A. Doherty, Arizona State University

Political Disenfranchisement via the Rumor Mill

Karen C. Adkins, Regis University

**Lunch** (on one's own): 12:00 – 1:45 pm

**Executive Committee Meeting:** 12:15 – 1:45 pm (SU  
315)

**Session IV:** 1:45 – 3:45 pm

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**VI-A. In Honor of Jean Harvey** (Library 352)

Chair: Maurice Hamington, University of Oregon and Lane  
Community College

Judith Andre, Michigan State University

Barrett Emerick, St. Mary's College of Maryland

Sally J. Scholz, Villanova University

**VI-B. Social Epistemology** (SU Rogue River Room)

Chair: Bonnie Mann, University of Oregon  
Community Epistemic Capacities and Structured Decision-  
Making

Ian Werkheiser, Michigan State University

Rorty, Hermeneutic Gaps, and Feminist Justice

Elizabeth Ann Sperry, William Jewell College

Democratizing Epistemologies

Gaile Pohlhaus, Miami University

**VI-C. Forms of Activism** (Library 305)

Chair: Larry Busk, University of Oregon  
Foundations for a Philosophy of Activism

Ashley C. Acosta-Fox, University of Kansas

Philosophy and Activism: Compatible or In Tension?

Ramona Ilea, Pacific University

The Normalized Technique of Protest and Power Relations:  
A Foucauldian Analysis

Jesus Ramirez, University of South Florida

**VI-D. Issues in International Justice** (SU 319)

Chair: Celeste D. Harvey, Marquette University  
An Analysis of Equality: Respecting Women and Respecting  
Cultural Diversity

Chong Un Choe Smith, Georgetown University and  
University of Massachusetts – Lowell

Duties to Compatriots

Wenwen Fan, University of Missouri – Columbia

War Crimes and Limited Interventions in Civil Wars

David K. Chan, University of Wisconsin – Stevens  
Point

**VI-E. Applications of Pragmatism (SU 330)**

Chair: Florian J. Grosser, University of California Berkeley,  
University of St. Gallen

Liberation Pragmatism: Dussel and Dewey in Dialogue  
Alex Sager and Albert R. Spencer, Portland State  
University

Problems of Immigration and Warfare for Jane Addams and  
Pragmatist Pacifism

John Kaiser Ortiz, Millersville University

Critique without Judgment in Pragmatist Political Theory:  
Political Philosophy after the Collapse of Metaphysics  
Colin Koopman, University of Oregon

**Refreshment Break:** 3:45 – 4:00 pm

**Second Plenary Session – Book Award:** 4:00 – 5:30 pm  
(Meese Auditorium, Art Building)

*No Citizen Left Behind* (Harvard University Press,  
2012)

Meira Levinson, Harvard Graduate School of  
Education

Chair

James Boettcher, Saint Joseph's University

Speakers

Zach Hoskins, University of Minnesota

David Leichter, Marian University

Krista Thomason, Swarthmore College

**Reception:** 5:30 – 6:30 pm (Schneider Art Museum)

**Banquet:** 6:30 – 8:30 pm (SU Rogue River Room)

**Business Meeting:** 8:30 – 9:30 pm (SU Rogue River  
Room)

**Saturday, July 19**

**Session VII: 9:00 – 11:00 am**

**VII-A. Heteromasculinism (SU 330)**

Chair: Barry DeCoster, Albany College of Pharmacy and  
Health Sciences

Demolishing the Empire of Fear: Affective Transformations,  
Queer Trajectories, and Eroticism in 2013 Protests in Turkey  
Fulden Ibrahimhakkioğlu, University of Oregon

Abu Ghraib, Ideology, and Hyper-Masculinity: A Critique of  
Puar

David Matthew Reese, University of Oregon

How to Make a Warrior for the 'Battle of the Sexes': Fear,  
Toughness, and Misogyny in the Construction of Masculinity  
Tom Digby, Springfield College

**VII-B. Minding Mill (SU 319)**

Chair: Colena P. Sesanker, University of Connecticut  
The Protest of Cultivating Care Skills: Insights from J. S.  
Mill

Asha Bhandary, University of Iowa

Truth in Mill's *On Liberty*

Eric James Helleloid, University of Georgia

Millian Social Tyranny and the Costs of Dissent

Dan Threet, Georgetown University

**VII-C. Political Virtues and Vices (Library 305)**

Chair: Karen C. Adkins, Regis University  
Defiance as Political Virtue

Melissa A. Mosko, Canisius College

Shaken Out of Complacency: Rereading King's "Letter"  
Michael D. Doan, Eastern Michigan University

Political Compassion and Paradoxes of Definition  
Judith Andre, Michigan State University

**VII-D. Conceptions of Freedom and Agency (SU 313)**

Chair: Karin R. Howe, Binghamton University

Love as Freedom in Frankfurt and Hegel

Kate Padgett Walsh, Iowa State University

Care as Power and Subversion: A Relational Approach to Freedom and Resistance

Maurice Hamington, University of Oregon and Lane Community College

Punishment and the Social Nature of Crime and Agency

Jenn E. Dum, Binghamton University

**VII-E. Class Inequality and Democracy (Library 352)**

Chair: Michael Thomas Schleeter, Pacific Lutheran University

Poverty and Hunger in 21st-Century America: A Challenge to Democracy and the Civil Rights Movement

Jean-Marie Makang, Frostburg State University

Human Dignity, Democracy and Economics

Joan Woolfrey, West Chester University of Pennsylvania

A Republican Marxist Approach to Democracy and Protests against Power

Norm Fischer, Kent State University

**Refreshment Break: 11:00 – 11:15 am**

**Third Plenary Session: 11:15 am – 12:45 pm (Library 305)**

Akeel Bilgrami, Columbia University, “The Mentality of Democracy: Some Philosophical Reflections”

Chair: Margaret Crouch, Eastern Michigan University

**Lunch (on one’s own): 12:45 – 2:00 pm**

**Snacks: 1:30pm – 3:50pm (SU Lobby)**

**Session VIII: 2:00 – 3:20 pm**

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**VIII-A. Duties to Resist Injustice (SU 313)**

Chair: Norm Fischer, Kent State University

De-Trivializing The Kantian Duty To Resist Oppression

Colena P. Sesanker, University of Connecticut

Risks for Angels: Skeptical Doubts about Resistance from Montaigne and Hume

Gordon B. Mower, Brigham Young University

**VIII-B. The Efficacy of Protest (SU 319)**

Chair: Ian Werkheiser, Michigan State University

Protest, Parasitism, and Community: Reflections on the Boycott

David A. Borman, Nipissing University

Protests and the Limits of Democracy- the Case of Brazil

Maria de Lourdes Alves Borges, University de Santa Catarina

**VIII-C. Disability and Justice (SU 330)**

Chair: Kelsey N. Borrowman, Villanova University

Can Nussbaum's Capabilities Approach Ground Political Surrogacy for Citizens with Cognitive Disabilities?

Kacey Warren, University of Colorado – Boulder

Disability and The Social Contract

Timothy W. Allen, University of Cincinnati

**Refreshment Break: 3:20 – 3:40 pm**

Session IX: 3:40 – 5:00 pm

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**IX-A. Limits on Protest (SU 313)**

Chair: David A. Borman, Nipissing University  
Staging Political Protest: Violence, Contestation, and  
Creativity

Fuat Gursozlu, Loyola University of Maryland  
“You’ve No Sense of the Place”: An Argument for Protest-  
Free Space

Jacob Affolter, University of Kentucky

**IX-B. Legitimacy and Justice (SU 319)**

Chair: Eric James Helleloid, University of Georgia  
The Primacy of Legitimacy in Global Contexts

Michael Buckley, Lehman College, City University  
of New York

Beyond Legitimacy: Deliberative Democracy and Justice  
Amelia Marie Wirts, Boston College

**IX-C. Talking Race (SU 330)**

Chair: Gaile Pohlhaus, Miami University  
Calling White People on Racism is not Racist: Representing  
Marginalized Perspectives in the Classroom

Crista Lebens, University of Wisconsin – Whitewater  
White Talk and Epistemic Closure  
Alison Bailey, Illinois State University

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