SPRING SEMESTER 2011

January 11
Annual Kirk Englehardt Business Ethics Award and Address
“Building Trust in US-China Economic Relations”
Timothy P. Stratford, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for China Affairs,
Office of the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the
President
10-11 a.m., Ragan Theater (Student Center second floor)
BREAKFAST to precede, 9:40-10 a.m., Ragan Foyer
RECEPTION to follow, 11-11:30 a.m., SC206a
(Cosponsored with the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, College of
Technology and Computing, School of Education, and the Woodbury School of
Business)

January 19 & 20
Twelfth Annual Conference by the Faculty
“Digital Nation: New Media, Old Teachers, Learning, and Citizenship” and other
topics
(Organized by Jill O. Jasperson, Associate Director, Center for the Study of
Ethics, and Jeffrey S. Nielsen, Instructor of Philosophy, UVU, and Director, Utah
Institute for Public Deliberation)

January 19
Session One
Ethics and Education
Burke Sorenson, Adjunct Instructor of Humanities; Should UVU Ban Laptops in
the Classroom?
9-9:50 a.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Two
Ethics and Education continued
Jeff Torlina, Assistant Professor of Sociology; The Attack on the Working Class
and Higher Education in the Era of Global Economics
Christine Weigel, Associate Professor of Philosophy; Is Determinism Compatible
with Free Will? A New Perspective on an Old Question
10-10:50 a.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Three
Ethics and Political Philosophy
Russ Askren: Adjunct Instructor of Philosophy; From Philosophy to Policy: The
Role of Context and Consensus
Mark Hausam: Adjunct Instructor of Philosophy; The Impossibility of
Governmental Neutrality in Religious Matters
Alden J. Stout: Adjunct Instructor Philosophy; Republicanism as Democracy:
Self-Determination and the Democratic Process
Session Four
Ethics and Global Issues
Baktybek (Bek) Abdrisaev, Lecturer in Political Science, and Tcholpon Akmatalieva, Administrative Support, International Affairs and Diplomacy; Case Study on Kyrgyzstan-Rocky Mountain States
Marina Panin, Adjunct Instructor of Foreign Languages; Creating Global Connections: Linking Language and Culture in Today’s World
Noon-12:50 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Five
Ethics in History, and Poetry
Kathy French, Professor of Psychology; Utah Peace Activists: Sharing Lives and History of the Heroes and Heroines of Zion
Keith Snedegar, Professor of History; Confronting a Text: Historical Expectations and Realities in the Study of a White South African Liberal
Rob Carney, Professor of English; Eight Separate Poems on Various Topics
1-1:50 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Six
Ethics and Technology
Anne Arendt, Director, Web Resources Services, University Marketing/Communications; Go Ahead and Shoot Me: The Wild West of YouTube
Erik Kerby, Adjunct Instructor of English & Humanities; Culture and the Technological Hegemony
Sheldon Smith, Professor of Accounting; Perceptions of Online Homework in Intermediate Accounting
2-2:50 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

January 20
Session Seven
Ethics and Public Policy
Matthew Duffin, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice; Without Reason: Have Efforts to Combat Terrorism Surpassed the Realm of Ethical and Lawful Behavior for Law Enforcement?
Gae Lyn Henderson, Assistant Professor of English & Literature, and Associate Writing Program Administrator; Countering Propaganda through Kenneth Burke’s Heuristics: Oversimplifications in War and Weapons Policy
Michael Minch, Associate Professor of Philosophy; On Boundaries and Frames and the Erasure of ‘War’ and ‘Peace’
10-11:15 a.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Eight
Ethics and Public Policy continued, and Dance
Steve Smith, Associate Professor of Aviation Science; A Moral Conflict: Freedom vs. Security
John Fisher, Assistant Professor of Emergency Services; Media Impact on Disaster Public Policy
Angie Banchero-Kelleher, Assistant Professor of Dance, Nichole Ortega, Assistant Professor of Dance, and Amy Markgraf-Jacobson, Assistant Professor of Dance; Lucuna
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Nine
Ethics and Philosophical Issues
Mark Olsen: Adjunct Instructor of Philosophy; Responsibility Theory & Mental Illness
Alexander Panin, Specialist of Research Instrumentation, Physics; Laws of the Universe: Are They Laws of Physics or Just Rules of Mathematics?
1:00-2:15 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Ten
Ethics & Contemporary Issues, and Poetry
Jon Westover, Assistant Professor of Business Management; A Cross-National Look at Gender Differences in Job Satisfaction 1989-2005
Karin Anderson: Professor of English & Literature; Mirage: a chapter excerpt from a book-length narrative, If A Body Catch
Marie Vandenbark, Adjunct Professor of Philosophy & Humanities; Poems
2:30-3:45 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

February 8
Forum on Economic Security
6-8 p.m., Center Stage, Student Center
For discussion materials please contact Jeffrey S. Nielsen at <jnielsen@westminstercollege.edu>
(Cosponsored with the Utah Institute for Public Deliberation, the National Issues Forums, The Kettering Foundation, and the Utah Humanities Council)

March 7
Film screening and Discussion with Greg Bennick, Producer and Social Activist The Philosopher Kings
(see http://philosopherkingsmovie.com/)
9 a.m.-noon, Ragan Theater
(Organized by Phil Gordon; Cosponsored with the Peace and Justice Studies Program)

March 22
“The Balanced Budget Amendment”
Mike Lee, U.S. Senator, Utah
10-11 a.m., SC 206abc
Public reception, 11-11:15 a.m., SC 206abc
(Parking Visitor Lot L free)
(Part of the Utah Democracy Project)

April 1
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Noon, Ragan Theater
(Organising by the Honors and Gender Studies Programs; Part of the Utah Democracy Project)

April 4-8
Environmental Ethics Week

April 7
Twenty-Second Annual Symposium on Environmental Ethics:
Environmental Justice
10 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120) and Timpanogos Room
(Cosponsored with the Peace and Justice Studies Program)

Session One
“Equity and Responsibility in International Climate Policy”
Steven Jon Vanderheiden, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder
10-11:15 a.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

Session Two
“(En)Gendering Environmental Justice: An Intersectional Ecofeminist Perspective”
Chaone Mallory, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Villanova University
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Timpanogos Room, Library, Fourth Floor

Session Three
Richard P. Hiskes, Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut, Associate Director, Connecticut Human Rights Institute, Editor, Journal of Human Rights
1-2:15 p.m., Timpanogos Room Library, Fourth Floor

Session Four
Plenary Panel Discussion:
Richard P. Hiskes, Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut
Chaone Mallory, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Villanova University
Michael Minch, Associate Professor of Philosophy, Director, Peace and Justice Studies Program, Utah Valley University
Steven Jon Vanderheiden, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder
Moderator: Deen Chatterjee, Associate Professor of Philosophy, University of Utah
2:30-3:45 p.m., Library Auditorium (LI 120)

April 12
Utah Democracy Project Keynote Address:
“From the Yellow Press to the Fourth Estate and Back: How Journalism’s Past Became Journalism’s Future”
Ross Douthat, Columnist, The New York Times
http://topics.nytimes.com/top/opinion/editorialsandoped/oped/columnists/rossdouthat/index.html
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m., SC206a-b, Student Center
Box Lunches Provided (first come, first served)
(Made possible in cooperation with The New York Times Readership Program; Cosponsored with UVUSA, Office of Engaged Learning, and The International Center)

April 14
“Should Mormons Eat Meat? A Presentation about Animal Ethics and the LDS Gospel"
Christopher Foster, Lecturer of Philosophy, UVU
6-7:30 p.m., LA025

April 14
Utah Democracy Project Keynote Address:
“Arendt and Herodotus: History, Immortality, and Political Glory”
Peg Birmingham, Professor of Philosophy, DePaul University
8-9:30 p.m., Redford Conference Center, Sundance Resort
(Organized by Michael M. Shaw for the Ancient Philosophy Society)

April 15
Utah Democracy Project Keynote Address:
“Not For Profit: Why Democracy Needs the Humanities”
Martha C. Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics, The University of Chicago School of Law
2-3:45 p.m., Ragan Theater
(Part of the Presidential Lecture Series and University of Utah Democracy in South Asia Forum; cosponsored with the Honors Program)

April 15
Utah Democracy Project Keynote Address:
“The Fear of Death: Incomplete Arguments and False Consolations”
Martha C. Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics, The University of Chicago School of Law
4:45-6:15 p.m., Redford Conference Center, Sundance Resort  
(Organized by Michael M. Shaw for the Ancient Philosophy Society)

April 15
Utah Democracy Project Plenary Session:
“Heraclitus”
Serge Mouravieff, Independent Scholar  
Enrique Hülsz, National Autonomous University of Mexico  
Daniel W. Graham, Professor of Philosophy, Brigham Young University
7:45-9:45 p.m., Redford Conference Center, Sundance Resort  
(Organized by Michael M. Shaw for the Ancient Philosophy Society)

April 16
Utah Democracy Project Plenary Session:
“Open Air: On Philosophy Before Philosophy”
John Sallis, Frederick J. Adelmann S.J. Professor of Philosophy, Boston College  
“From the Moly Plant to the Gardens of Adonis”
Dennis Schmidt, Liberal Arts Research Professor of Philosophy, Comparative Literature, and German, Pennsylvania State University
5:15-7:30 p.m., Redford Conference Center, Sundance Resort  
(Organized by Michael M. Shaw for the Ancient Philosophy Society)

April 18
Ethics Colloquium:
“The Prosocial Benefits of Believing in Free Will”
Tyler F. Stillman, Visiting Professor, Department of Psychology and School of Business, Southern Utah University
5:15-6:30 p.m., LA 102  
(Organized by Chris Weigel; Cosponsored with the Department of Behavioral Science)

May 2-6
Annual Ethics Across the Curriculum Faculty Summer Seminar:  
Ethical Theory in Teaching Ethics Across the Curriculum  
Visiting Scholar: Bernard Gert, Stone Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, Emeritus, Dartmouth College, Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry, Dartmouth Medical School, Research Professor, Department of Social Medicine, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
May 2: 1-4 p.m., SC 213C (Trustees Suite)  
May 3: 1-4 p.m., SC 213C (Trustees Suite)  
May 4: 1-4 p.m., SC 213C (Trustees Suite)  
May 5: 1-4 p.m., SC 213C (Trustees Suite)  
May 6: 1-4 p.m., SC 213C (Trustees Suite)