

***THE UNIVERSITY OF
ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF
PHILOSOPHY
GRADUATE BROCHURE
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INTRODUCTION

This brochure contains information on the graduate program in philosophy at UIC, philosophical life in Chicago, general research and teaching interests of our faculty, and biographies of individual faculty. The materials accompanying this brochure contain information on admissions, tuition and fees, financial assistance, campus facilities, student services, and philosophy graduate course offerings; those who want more information on these matters and on UIC academic and general regulations can consult the UIC Graduate Catalog, which can be obtained by calling (312) 413-2550. Those who want additional information on the graduate program in philosophy can consult the Department of Philosophy Graduate Handbook, available online at www.uic.edu/depts/phil, or from Valerie Brown at (312) 996-3022 or valbrown@uic.edu. Specific inquiries about the graduate program may be

directed to Ms. Brown, or to Professor Nick Huggett, Director of Graduate Admissions in Philosophy, at huggett@uic.edu.

THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

The Department of Philosophy at UIC offers both the M.A. and the Ph.D. in philosophy. Virtually without exception, students admitted to the program plan on earning the Ph.D. degree, and are admitted with the expectation that they will do so. The student proceeds toward the Ph.D. in two stages. The first stage centers around graduate seminars and, later, special preparation in the area of the doctoral dissertation. This stage typically takes three years. During the first two and a half years, the student takes at least 14 regularly scheduled graduate courses, mostly seminars, at the rate of 3 per semester. These must be chosen so that the student takes at least one course in each of the following five broad areas: (1) ancient or medieval philosophy, (2) modern philosophy, (3) metaphysics or epistemology, (4) philosophy of language, philosophy of science, or logic, (5) ethics, social and political philosophy, or aesthetics. The student must also satisfy a separate logic requirement, by taking a graduate course in symbolic logic as one of the required 14 courses. During the third

year, students work on a project that prepares them for work in the general area of their dissertation. During the second stage, the student writes a prospectus for a dissertation, writes the dissertation, and defends it in an oral exam. We expect the second stage to take two years, so the Ph.D. program is a five year program. For a more detailed description of the graduate program requirements, see the UIC Graduate Catalog or (best) the Philosophy Department Graduate Handbook.

PHILOSOPHY IN CHICAGO

The Chicago area is an active and lively philosophical scene. There is no shortage of papers and talks given by prominent philosophers. Besides our own department colloquium series, which features both visiting and local speakers, there are talks at the University of Chicago, Northwestern University, and Loyola University. The Central Division of the American Philosophical Association often meets in Chicago. The Seminary Co-op Bookstore, near the University of Chicago, offers as wide a selection of books in philosophy as can be found anywhere in the world.

***RESEARCH AND TEACHING
INTERESTS OF THE PHILOSOPHY
FACULTY***

Most of our faculty members were trained in analytic philosophy, and their research

and teaching interests reflect that basic orientation. The department offers broad coverage of most areas of contemporary philosophical research, with unusual depth in the history of philosophy, political philosophy and ethics, philosophy of science/math, and philosophy of mind/language.

Our faculty's interests include: *ancient philosophy* (Meinwald); *medieval philosophy* (Sinkler); *early modern philosophy* (Fleischacker, Sinkler, Sutherland, Whipple); *Kant* (Fleischacker, Laden, Sedgwick, Sutherland) and *Hegel* (Laden, Sedgwick); *nineteenth century philosophy* (Sedgwick); *history of analytic philosophy* (Gray, Hylton); *ethics and social and political philosophy* (Fleischacker, Laden, Sedgwick), including *feminism* (Eaton, Laden); *aesthetics* (Eaton, Fleischacker); *philosophy of religion* (Fleischacker, Sinkler, Whipple); *philosophy of language* (Almotahari, Gray, Hylton); *metaphysics* (Almotahari, Hilbert, Jarrett, Klein, Schechtman, Whipple); *epistemology* (Hilbert, Jarrett); *philosophy of mind* (Almotahari, Hilbert, Klein, Schechtman); *philosophy of science* (Hilbert, Huggett, Jarrett, Klein), including *philosophy of physics* (Huggett, Jarrett), *biology* (Hilbert), *psychology* (Klein, Hilbert); *logic and philosophical logic* (

Hylton, Jarrett); *philosophy of mathematics* (Sutherland); and *existentialism* (Schechtman). See the biographies below for more information on individual faculty

Over the last several years we have offered graduate seminars in a wide range of areas. For details, see www.uic.edu/phil/courses.

The UIC Philosophy Department jointly sponsors with the University of Chicago and Northwestern a program in ancient philosophy. In addition to Constance Meinwald of UIC, there are several affiliated faculty at Northwestern and University of Chicago. UIC students who enter the program must satisfy the normal Ph.D. requirements of the Department, and must fulfill course requirements or pass an examination in Greek and Latin; course offerings and faculty resources of the University of Chicago and Northwestern will be fully available for this purpose. The program sponsors workshops in which students, faculty, or invited speakers from other universities present papers. Some prior knowledge of Greek or Latin is desirable.

The UIC philosophy department actively participates in The Chicago Area Consortium in German Philosophy. In addition to Sam Fleischacker, Sally

Sedgwick, and Daniel Sutherland at UIC, the Consortium includes faculty from DePaul, Loyola, Marquette, University of Chicago, Northwestern, Purdue, Notre Dame, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and Wheaton College. The Consortium brings together scholars interested in German Philosophy for regular colloquia and reading groups in the greater Chicago Area.

Graduate students interested in certain areas are permitted to supplement their graduate study with courses in other departments or programs. For instance, our Department of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science has several mathematical logicians whose graduate courses are open to philosophy students. Students interested in feminist theory may take graduate courses in our Gender and Women's Studies Program.

The UIC Laboratory of Integrative Neuroscience (LIN) is an excellent resource for graduate students working in philosophy of mind. The LIN is composed of faculty and students from the Departments of Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Psychology, and Philosophy. The mission of the LIN is to promote research, teaching, and all forms of scholarship on nervous systems and

behavior. The LIN offers an extensive curriculum of neuroscience-related training at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.

THE FACULTY

Mahrad Almotahari is an Associate Professor. He received his PhD from MIT in 2011. Before that, he was an undergraduate at Reed College, in the age fondly remembered as Olde Reed. He's written (and continues to think) about various topics in the philosophy of language (including reference, coreference, anaphoric dependence, context-sensitivity, assertion, negation, attributive versus predicative adjectives, and verbal disputation), the philosophy of mind (e.g., Frege's puzzle and related issues about the individuation of belief), and metaphysics (among other things, physicalism, haecceitism, material identity, modality, truth, value, and structure). His article, 'The Identity of a Material Thing and its Matter', was the recipient of the 2013 Philosophical Quarterly Essay Prize. His more recent paper, 'A Little Puzzle about a Piece and Puddle', was a runner-up for the 2018 Marc Sanders Prize in Metaphysics. Mahrad has an abiding interest in the history of philosophy, especially the medieval Islamic tradition. He frequently

visits the School of Analytic Philosophy at IPM. In 2016 Mahrad was interviewed by 3:AM Magazine. Penultimate drafts of his published work can be found at uic.academia.edu/MahradAlmotahari. If you're unable to access material from academia.edu, feel free to shoot him an e-mail. Mahrad is on fellowship during academic year 2018-2019.

A.W. Eaton is an Assistant Professor and Director of Graduate Admissions. She received her Ph.D. from The University of Chicago in both philosophy and art history in 2003. She works on topics in feminism, aesthetics and philosophy of art, value theory, and Italian Renaissance painting. Her special interests include the epistemological and ontological status of aesthetic value, the relationship between ethical and artistic value, feminist critiques of pornography, and representations of rape in the European artistic tradition, and artifact teleology (for more details and publications, see her website. Professor Eaton was a Laurence Rockefeller Fellow at Princeton's Center for Human Values in 2005-6. She is the editor of the Aesthetics & Philosophy of Art section of Philosophy Compass.

Samuel Fleischacker is a Professor. He studied at Yale University, receiving his

Ph.D. in 1989. He works in moral and political philosophy, the history of philosophy, aesthetics and the philosophy of religion. Among the issues that have particularly interested him are the moral status of culture, the nature and history of liberalism, and the relationship between moral and other values (aesthetic values, religious values, political values). His publications include *The Ethics of Culture* (Cornell, 1994), *On Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations: A Philosophical Companion* (Princeton, 2003), *A Short History of Distributive Justice* (Harvard, 2004), *Divine Teaching and the Way of the World* (Oxford, 2011) and *Kant's Questions: What Is Enlightenment? The Legacy of a Kantian Question* (Routledge, 2012). Professor Fleischacker has been a Fellow of the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford, the University Center for Human Values at Princeton, and the Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities at Edinburgh University. He taught previously at Williams College.

Aidan Gray is an Assistant Professor. He received his PhD from The University of Chicago in 2012. His research interests are in the philosophy of language, theoretical linguistics, and the history of analytic philosophy. He has a particular focus on reference, and the way that traditional philosophical questions about reference relate to contemporary issues in linguistics.

He also has an interest in foundational questions in natural language semantics, especially in the division between semantics and pragmatics.

David Hilbert is a Professor of Philosophy. He received his Ph.D. from Stanford University and has previously taught at Yale and Caltech. His areas of interest include color, philosophy of perception, philosophy of mind, and history of philosophy and science. He has published on a broad range of issues concerning color starting with his 1987 book *Color and Color Perception* (CSLI). He is currently working on issues involved in understanding perceptual constancies and the content of visual perception. His historical interests are focused on Berkeley, especially his practical philosophy. Current projects include work on the content of visual experience, the correct understanding of perceptual constancies, and a book on Berkeley in addition to a paper on Berkeley's theory of money. Some recent publications are:

“Color Relationalism and Relativism;” with Alex Byrne *Topics in Cognitive Science*, 9(1), 172-192, 2017.

“Vision”, in *Oxford Handbook of the Philosophy of Perception*, ed. Mohan Matthen, 2015.

“Constancy, content, and inference”, in *Visual Experience*, eds. Gary Hatfield and

Sarah Allred, Oxford University Press, 199-211, 2012.

“Are colors secondary qualities?” with Alex Byrne, in *Primary and Secondary Qualities: the Historical and Ongoing Debate*, ed. Larry Nolan, Oxford University Press, 339-361, 2011.

“Urban light and color,” with Alex Byrne, *New Geographies*, 3: 64-71, 2011.

Nick Huggett is a Professor (PhD Rutgers University, 1995) and Director of Graduate Studies. His specialties are the philosophy of science and the philosophy of physics. His early publications concentrated on quantum field theory (for example, “Philosophical Foundations of Quantum Field Theory” in *Philosophy of Science Today*, Oxford University Press, 2003). More recent work concerned theories of space from antiquity to the present (e.g., *Space from Zeno to Einstein*, MIT Press, 1999; “The Regularity Account of Relational Spacetime” in *Mind*, 2006; and with Craig Callender [UCSD] an anthology on the philosophy of quantum theories of gravity, *Physics Meets Philosophy at the Planck Scale*, Cambridge University Press, 2001). He has also collaborated with Tom Imbo (UIC Physics Department) on the foundations of quantum mechanics (e.g., “Indistinguishability” in the *Compendium of Quantum Physics*, Springer, 2009). His book *Everywhere and Everywhen* (Oxford University Press, February 2010) introduces a general

audience to the philosophy of physics. Most recently he has been collaborating with Christian Wüthrich (University of Geneva) on a project, supported by ACLS, NSF and the John Templeton Foundation, on philosophy and quantum gravity: see beyondspacetime.net for information. They have written articles (for example, “Emergent Spacetime and Empirical (In)coherence” in *Studies in History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*, 2013), organized conferences, edited a journal special edition, and are completing a book. In 2015-8, they are running a JTF funded project, involving postdocs, students, workshops, publications, and speakers, *Space and Time After Quantum Gravity*.

Peter Hylton is Professor of Philosophy and UIC Distinguished Professor; he has been Chair of the department since August 2006. He received his Ph.D. in Philosophy from Harvard University. His chief area of interest is in understanding, interpreting, and coming to terms with the history of analytic philosophy. (Doing this requires doing a good deal of work on philosophy of language, epistemology, metaphysics, and logic.) He has been awarded fellowships by the Rockefeller Foundation, the A.C.L.S., and the NEH. He has published *Russell, Idealism, and the Emergence of Analytic Philosophy* (Oxford

University Press, 1990) and *Quine* (Routledge, 2007); he has also published many essays, some of which are collected in *Propositions, Functions, and Analysis* (Oxford University Press, 2005).

Jon Jarrett is an Associate Professor. He attended Iowa State (B.S., Physics, 1975), Cornell (M.S., Physics, 1977), and the University of Chicago (Ph.D., Conceptual Foundations of Science, 1983). Before joining the UIC faculty, he taught at the University of Vermont, Harvard, and Cornell. His specialty is the philosophy of science with a particular emphasis on the foundations of physics. He also has more general interests in logic, metaphysics, and epistemology. His publications include "Bell's Theorem: A Guide to the Implications", in *Philosophical Consequences of Quantum Theory*, ed. by J. Cushing and E. McMullin (1989) and "On the Separability of Physical Systems", in *Quantum Reality, Relativistic Causality, and Closing the Epistemic Circle: Essays in Honour of Abner Shimony* (The Western Ontario Series in Philosophy of Science), edited by W. Myrvold and J. Christian, Springer Press (2009).

Anthony Laden is Professor of Philosophy, and, since Aug. 2012, Chair of the department. He received his Ph.D in

philosophy from Harvard University in 1996. He works in moral and political philosophy, where his research focuses on reasoning, democratic theory, feminism and the politics of identity, and the philosophy of education. He also has interests in the history of moral and political philosophy, especially Rousseau, Kant, and Hegel. He is the author of *Reasoning: A Social Picture* (Oxford University Press, 2012), and *Reasonably Radical: Deliberative Liberalism and the Politics of Identity* (Cornell, 2001), as well as the co-editor, with David Owen, of *Multiculturalism and Political Theory* (Cambridge, 2007). He has published numerous essays on the work of John Rawls, including "The House the Jack Built" (*Ethics*, 2003), and most recently, "Constructivism as Rhetoric" (2014). Since 2015, he is also the Associate Director of the Center for Ethics and Education (ethicsandeducation.wceruw.org).

Constance Meinwald did her Ph.D. work in Princeton's Classical Philosophy program and strives to combine the resources of classics with philosophical activity in reanimating the dialectic of philosophy in antiquity. Connie's earliest work took the form of her book, *Plato's "Parmenides"* (Oxford, 1991). She has published a variety of journal articles and conference pieces on Plato, as well as studies in the history of the notion of

consent ("Ignorance and Opinion in Stoic Epistemology," *Phronesis* 2005, and "Two Notions of Consent," *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy* 2011). She has contributed substantial essays to the *Cambridge Companion to Plato* (1992) the *Oxford Handbook of Plato* (2008), and *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. Her wide-ranging and broadly accessible *Plato* (2016) has just been published in the Routledge Philosophers Series.

<https://www.routledge.com/Plato/Meinwald/p/book/9780415379113>

Prof. Meinwald has been a Junior Fellow of the Center for Hellenic Studies, a Fellow of the UIC Humanities Institute (twice), and has taught as a visitor at Cornell and at Barnard/Columbia.

Prof. Meinwald on YouTube:

A 2010 talk to a general audience of humanists on *psyche* in the *Phaedo* (an early version of a chapter in the new book) is here

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IrCdq1PdU-o> A 2016 appearance at the Toronto

Ancient Philosophy Workshop on *Ways of Interpreting Plato* takes up the question "What Do We Think We're Doing?" here

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GgNV_oGA2Jog

Marya Schechtman is a Professor of Philosophy, a member of the Laboratory of Integrative Neuroscience, and an Associate Dean in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. She received her Ph.D. in

philosophy from Harvard in 1988. Her main areas of interest are personal identity, practical reasoning, and bioethics. Her first book, *The Constitution of Selves* (Cornell 1996), argues that contemporary metaphysical discussions of personal identity over time fail to distinguish between two distinct but related questions, one having to do with re-identifying persons and the other with determining the essential features of character, value, and commitment that make a person who she is. In this book, she develops a narrative account of personal identity. Her most recent book, *Staying Alive: Personal Identity, Practical Concerns, and the Unity of a Life* (Oxford 2014) broadens her inquiry into the connections between metaphysical and practical questions of personal identity. In this work, she develops an anthropological account of personal identity that serves as an alternative to, and bridge between, traditional psychological and biological accounts. Professor Schechtman has lectured on topics in personal identity, the theory of autonomy, and bioethics around the world, and has published several articles on these topics including "Personhood and Personal Identity" (1990), "Stories, Lives, and Basic Survival: A defense and refinement of the narrative view,"(2007), "The Story of My (Second) Life: Narrative and Personal Identity Online," (2012), "Philosophical Reflections on Narrative and Deep Brain Stimulation," (2010), and

"Loving Eyes of my Own: Love, Particularity and Necessity" (2017).

Sally Sedgwick is LAS Distinguished Professor of Philosophy and Affiliated Professor of Germanic Studies. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1985, and has held visiting positions at Harvard, the University of Pennsylvania, and the universities of Bonn, Bern and Luzern. Her main areas of research are the practical and theoretical philosophies of Kant and Hegel. She has been awarded grants by NEH, ACLS, DAAD, the Fulbright Foundation, and the Alexander von Humboldt-Stiftung. Her publications include the monographs *Kant's Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals: An Introduction* (Cambridge, 2008) and *Hegel's Critique of Kant* (Oxford, 2012). She is editor of the volume *The Reception of Kant's Critical Philosophy: Fichte, Schelling and Hegel* (Cambridge, 2000). Since 2014, she co-edits the *International Yearbook of German Idealism* with Dina Emundts. In 2009/10, she was President of the Central Division of the APA.

Georgette Sinkler earned a B.S. in Engineering at Princeton University, and later a Ph.D. in Philosophy at Cornell University. She currently is interested in topics in medieval philosophy, philosophy of religion, and early modern philosophy. Her work can be found in publications such as the *Journal of the History of Philosophy*, *Medieval Philosophy & Theology*, and the *Canadian Journal of Philosophy*.

Will Small joined the department as an Assistant Professor in 2014. He received his PhD from the University of Chicago in 2012, and is currently a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at the Centre for the Study of Mind in Nature at the University of Oslo. His main research interests are in philosophy of action and ethics. Topics of focus include the knowledge that agents have of their intentional actions, the nature of skill and skilled action, ethical knowledge, and virtue. He also has interests in self-consciousness, the second person, and moral psychology, as well as in the history of philosophy (in particular, Aristotle, Kant, and Wittgenstein).

Daniel Sutherland is an Associate Professor. He received his PhD from U.C.L.A. in 1998, was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the History and Philosophy of Science Department of Indiana University from 1998-99, and came to UIC in

1999. His primary interests include the relationship between philosophy, mathematics and science in the work of Immanuel Kant, and mathematical cognition more generally. He was a visiting professor at Harvard University in Spring 2006, and taught at the University of Chicago in Fall 2008. He has been awarded grants by the NSF (2006-7) and the American Philosophical Society (2010-11). Some of his publications are “Kant’s Philosophy of Mathematics and the Greek Mathematical Tradition,” *Philosophical Review* (2004), “The Role of Magnitude in Kant’s Critical Philosophy,” *Canadian Journal of Philosophy* (2005), “Kant on Arithmetic Algebra, and the Theory of Proportions,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* (2006), “From Kant to Frege: Numbers, Pure Units, and the Limits of Conceptual Representation,” *Royal Institute of Philosophy Supplement* (2008), and “Philosophy and Geometrical Practice in Leibniz, Wolff, and the Early Kant,” in *Discourse on a new Method: Reinvigorating the Marriage of History and Philosophy of Science* (2010).

John Whipple is an Associate Professor. He received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Irvine in 2007. His area of specialization is early modern philosophy. He has written on Leibniz, Descartes,

Malebranche, and Hobbes. His current research is focused on Leibniz’s distinction between esoteric and exoteric modes of philosophical discourse. He believes that careful attention to this distinction can help us attain a better understanding of central features of Leibniz’s philosophy including his views on substance, causation, possible worlds, and the problem of evil. It also sheds new light on the interpretive debate about the extent to which Leibniz is a systematic philosopher. Selected publications include “Leibniz on Fundamental Ontology: Idealism and Pedagogical Exoteric Writing”, *Ergo* (2017); “Leibniz and the Art of Exoteric Writing”, *Philosophers’ Imprint* (2015); “Leibniz on Substance and Causation” in *Leibniz and Locke on Substance and Identity*, eds. P Lodge and T. Stoneham, *Routledge* 2015; “Leibniz’s Exoteric Philosophy”, *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (June 2013); “Continual Creation and Finite Substance in Leibniz’s Metaphysics”, *Journal of Philosophical Research* (2011); “Leibniz on Divine Concurrence”, *Philosophy Compass* (2010); “The Structure of Leibnizian Simple Substances,” *British Journal for the History of Philosophy* (2010); “Hobbes on Miracles,” *Pacific Philosophical Quarterly* (2008); “The Dustbin Theory of Mind: A Cartesian Legacy?” *Oxford Studies in*

Early Modern Philosophy (2006) (co-author Lawrence Nolan); and “Self Knowledge in Descartes and Malebranche,” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* (2005) (co-author Lawrence Nolan).

Affiliated Faculty

William Howard is a Professor of Mathematics. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. His field of specialization is proof theory, in which he has published several articles in the *Journal of Symbolic Logic* and other journals. He is interested in the constructive foundations of mathematics, the applications of logic to computer science, and the history of mathematics. He has previously worked at Bell Telephone Laboratories and taught at Pennsylvania State University.

David Marker is an LAS Distinguished Professor of Mathematics and a Fellow of the American Mathematical Association. He received a Ph.D. from Yale in 1983 and was previously a National Science Postdoctoral Fellow at Berkeley and Centennial Fellow of the American Mathematical Society. He is interested in mathematical logic, particularly model theory and its connections to: real algebraic

and real analytic geometry, exponentiation, differential algebra and descriptive set theory. He is the author of *Model Theory: An Introduction* (Springer 2002) and *Lectures on Infinitary Model Theory* (Cambridge 2015).

Deirdre McCloskey is a UIC

Distinguished Professor of Economics and of History, Emerita, and Emerita Professor of English and of Communication, and was adjunct in Philosophy and Classics. Her philosophical interests include the philosophy and sociology of science, epistemology, pragmatism, virtue ethics, theology, political philosophy, and the history of social science, especially of economics. Her philosophical works include *Knowledge and Persuasion in Economics* (1994), *The Rhetoric of Economics* (1985, 2nd ed. 1999), and *The Bourgeois Virtues: Ethics for an Age of Commerce* (2006).

Timothy F. Murphy is Professor of Philosophy in the Biomedical Sciences in the College of Medicine. He received his Ph.D. from Boston College, and his main fields of interest are philosophy of medicine, the bioethics of genetic research, assisted reproduction, and human sexuality. During a sabbatical leave in Spring 2011, he wrote a book called

Parents' Choices and the Future of Gay and Lesbian People. He is also the author of *Gay Science: The Ethics of Sexual Orientation Research* (Columbia, 1997) and *Ethics in an Epidemic: AIDS, Morality, and Culture* (California 1994). He is also the co-editor of *Justice and the Human Genome Project* (California, 1994) and *Writing AIDS: Gay Literature, Language, and Analysis* (Columbia, 1993), and *Case Studies in Biomedical Research Ethics* (The MIT Press, 2004). From 1998 - 2001 he held a \$663,000 grant in research ethics from the National Institutes of Health. He has also received grant support from the Department of Defense and has been a Fellow at the UIC Institute for the Humanities. His work appears regularly in the *American Journal of Bioethics*, *Journal of Medical Ethics*, *Bioethics*, *Hastings Center Report* and *Reproductive Biomedicine Online*. He is a member of the editorial board of the journals *Bioethics* and the *American Journal of Bioethics*. He is vice chair of the Ethics Committee of the American College of Surgeons Oncology Group. The European Society for Human Reproduction has invited him to speak at their 2012 meeting in Istanbul, on the ethics of helping transgender men and women have children through assisted reproductive treatments.

Emeriti Faculty

George Dickie is a Professor Emeritus. He received his Ph.D. from UCLA. His main interests are in aesthetics, where he has published extensively. He is the author of *Aesthetics: An Introduction* (Pegasus, 1971), *Art and the Aesthetic: An Institutional Analysis* (Cornell University Press, 1974), *The Art Circle* (Haven Publications, 1984), *The Century of Taste*, (Oxford Press, 1996), *Evaluating Art* (Temple University Press, 1988), *Art and Value* (Blackwell, 2001), and *Aesthetic Journey: Selected Essays* (Chicago Spectrum Press) 2007. He co-edited *Aesthetics: A Critical Anthology* (St. Martin's Press, 1977, second edition 1989), *Introduction to Aesthetics* (Oxford, 1997). George Dickie has received fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities (twice), the Guggenheim Foundation, the A.C.L.S (twice), and the Advanced Studies for the Humanities at Edinburgh. He was a member of the Humanities Institute at the University of Illinois at Chicago during 1993-1994.

Walter Edelberg is an Associate Professor Emeritus. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. His primary interests are in philosophy of language, metaphysics, philosophy of logic, and

history of early modern philosophy. His publications include “A New Puzzle About Intentional Identity” (*Journal of Philosophical Logic*, 1986), “The Fifth Meditation” (*The Philosophical Review*, 1990), “A Case for a Heretical Deontic Semantics” (*Journal of Philosophical Logic*, 1991), “Propositions, Circumstances, Objects,” (*Journal of Philosophical Logic*, 1994), “A Perspectivalist Semantics for the Attitudes” (*Noûs*, 1995), and “Intersubjective Intentional Identity” (*Journal of Philosophy*, October 2006). He is a recipient of three university teaching awards. He has been a visitor at the University of Pittsburgh and at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

W. D. Hart (A.B. scl, Harvard College, 1964; Ph.D., Harvard University, 1969). Generally known as Bill, he is Professor Emeritus of Philosophy at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where he was chair of the philosophy department from 1994 until 2006 and from which he retired in June 2011. He previously taught at the University of Michigan (1969–74), University College London (1974–91), and the University of New Mexico (1992–93). He visited at CCNY, the University of Pennsylvania, and Cambridge University.

Hart’s primary interests are logic, philosophy of mathematics, metaphysics, and epistemology. His book *The Engines of the Soul* is an argument for dualism as a solution to the mind–body problem. *The Evolution of Logic* is a critical history of the relations between logic and philosophy over the last 130 years, and it reflects the core of his teaching over his career. *Readings in the Philosophy of Mathematics*, which he edited with an introduction, is a successor to the old Hintikka volume (the two have no overlap, the newer volume being a collection of philosophy papers, not mathematics).

Neal Grossman is an Associate Professor Emeritus. He has a Ph.D. in the history and philosophy of science from Indiana University. His special interests are Spinoza, mysticism, and the epistemology of parapsychological research. His older articles have been published in the *Journal of Philosophy*, *Metaphilosophy*, *Philosophy of Science*, and *Synthese*. Some of his recent articles are "Who's Afraid of Life After Death?" published in the *Journal of Near-Death Studies*, Fall 2002, “Four Errors Commonly Committed by Professional Debunkers”, published in the *Journal of Near-Death Studies*, Spring '08; "Review of the *Handbook of Near-Death Studies: thirty years of*

Investigation, in *Journal of Near-Death Studies*, summer 2010, “Reply to Cardena” in *The Journal of Scientific Exploration*, #4 2011, and “Foreword” to *Science and the Near-Death Experience*, by Chris Carter, 2010. His book, *The Spirit of Spinoza* has been republished by ICRL Press (2014) {formerly: *Healing the Mind: The Philosophy of Spinoza Adapted For a New Age*, Susquehanna University Press, April 2003}. He is a five time recipient of the Silver Circle Teaching Award. He was recently elected to the council of the Society for Scientific Exploration.

Kent Wilson is an Emeritus Associate Professor. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1969. His areas of interest are in the philosophy of language and metaphysics, language and mind, linguistic theory, philosophical logic and epistemology. He is presently doing research on mind and language, pragmatics and logic, theories of meaning and truth, and on indexicals and anaphora. Recent publications include "The Intentional Fallacy: Defending Beardsley" (coauthored with George Dickie, *Journal of Aesthetics and Art Criticism*, 1995), and "Some Reflections on the Prosentential Theory of Truth" (in *Truth or Consequences: Essays in Honor of Nuel Belnap*, D. Reidel, 1990).