Saturday Morning (October 8)

Colorado Springs Marriott (Aspen Leaf)

Section IV: Ethics

Chair: Allison Postell (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs)

9:00-9:50am

"Foolishness and the Unity of the Aristotelian Virtues" Sean McAleer (University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire) Commentator: Noell Birondo (Wichita State University)

10:00-10:50am

"Special Relations Can Provide Agent-Neutral Reasons" Elizabeth Bell (University of Wisconsin, Madison) Commentator: Patrick Yarnell (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs)

11:00-11:50am

"On Insults" Helen L. Daly (Colorado College) Commentator: Laura M. Bernhardt (Buena Vista University, Iowa)

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Thursday Evening (October 6)

Colorado Springs Marriott (Eagle's Nest 1&2)

Registration

5:00-8:00pm

Section I: Epistemology & Philosophy of Language *Chair*: David Beisecker (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)

6:00-6:50pm

"The Conservative's Escape from the Circle"
Jared Liebergen (University of Iowa)
Commentator: Ken Lucey (University of Nevada,
Reno)

7:00-7:50pm

"Epistemic Modals and Causal Commentaries"
Quinn Harr (University of Maryland, College Park)
Commentator: James McBain (Pittsburg State University, Kansas)

8:00-8:50pm

"A Problematic Approach to Resolving the Sorites Paradox"
Jason Hanschmann (University of California, Santa Barbara)
Commentator: Jeffrey Watson (Arizona State University)



Friday Morning (October 7)

UCCS (University Center-Room 116 A&B)

Registration

8:30am-5:00pm

Section II: Metaphysics

Chair: Lorraine Arangno (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs)

9:00-9:50am

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"Persons and Time and Persons in Time" Roman Briggs (Cochise College, Arizona) Commentator: Leroy Meyer (University of South Dakota)

10:00-10:50am

"Grounding the Consequence Argument"
Jonah Nagashima (University of
California, Riverside)
Commentator: Adrian Switzer (University
of Missouri, Kansas City)

11:00-11:50am



"Realism and Ontological Pluralism"
Matt Evpak (University of California, San Diego)
Commentator, Candice Shelby (University

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Lunch Break

12:00-1:30pm

(on your own)

Executive Committee Meeting

Friday Afternoon (October 7)

UCCS (University Center—Room 116 A&B)

Section III: Metaphysics & Philosophy of Science

Chair: Franz-Peter Griesmaier (University of Wyoming)

1:30-2:20pm



"Hilbert's Hotel, the Multiverse, and Design" William Ferraiolo (San Joaquin Delta College, California) Commentator: Carl Miller (Fort Hays State University, Kansas)

2:30-3:20pm



"Towards a General Framework for Explanatory Idealization" Katy Shorey (Western New England University, Massachusetts) Commentator: Susan Castro (Wichita State University)

3:30-4:20pm



"How to be a Humean about Non-Humean dispositions" Marc Johansen (University of Arizona) Commentator: Garrett Bredeson (University of Colorado, Boulder)

Key Note Address 5:00-6:30pm

UCCS (University Center—Room 302, Theatre)

Modal Empiricism: What is the Problem? Albert Casullo

University of Nebraska, Lincoln

Banquet

7:00-9:00pm

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After Hours