

The Second Annual MSU Denver Undergraduate Women's Philosophy Conference

Friday April 28 - Sunday April 30, 2017

Metropolitan State University of Denver
Denver, CO

Sponsored by: Auraria Women's Philosophy Group, the MSU Denver Philosophy Club, the MSU Denver Department of Philosophy, the MSU Denver Provost's Office, the MSU Denver CLAS Dean's Office, and the American Philosophical Association.

Keynote Speaker

Kristie Dotson, Associate Professor
Michigan State University

Kristie Dotson received her MA and PhD in Philosophy from the University of Memphis. She also received an MA in Literature from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a BA in African American Studies and English Literature from Coe College. Professor Dotson researches in epistemology, feminist philosophy (particularly Black feminism and feminist epistemology), and critical philosophy of race.

Keynote Address:

"Re-Introducing Identity Politics: Thinking Black Feminist Decolonial Practices"

The purpose of this conference is to provide a forum for the presentation of philosophical work by female-identified undergraduates and to encourage community building amongst female-identified philosophers.

Call for Papers

Papers must have philosophical content, but there are no specific restrictions on subject matter within the arena of philosophical discussion itself. However, we especially encourage papers on Asian Philosophy, Latinx Philosophy, Africana Philosophy, and philosophy pertaining to other marginalized groups.

We are excited to announce that we have been awarded a small grant from the American Philosophical Association to offer a \$500 award for the student with the best paper and \$100 stipends for each presenter and commentator. The student with the best paper will also be featured as the student keynote speaker on the final day of the conference. We have extended the conference to allow for more presentations.

Electronic submissions (.doc or pdf) are required and should be sent as an attachment to Liz Goodnick at egoodnic@msudenver.edu. Submissions should include both the paper and an

abstract of 100-200 words. Papers should be approximately 2500 words (8-10 pages) and prepared for anonymous review.

Please include the following in the body of the email:

1. The paper's title
2. Word count
3. Author's name
4. Institutional affiliation (if any)
5. Email address
6. Telephone number
7. Will you need a smart classroom to present your paper?

Papers that do not include the above will not be considered.

No more than one paper by the same author will be considered.

Submission deadline is **Friday, February 17, 2017**. Papers will be reviewed by the conference planning committee. Notification of acceptance will be made via email by March 17, 2017. Submissions whose authors cannot be contacted through email will be rejected.

Each paper will have a commentator. Those interested in providing brief comments of approximately 5-7 minutes should email Liz Goodnic at egoodnic@msudenver.edu by February 17, 2017, stating your availability and areas of interest. Please indicate whether you would like to be a commentator should your paper not be accepted.

Conference Schedule

Friday, April 28

Conference registration: 10-11am
Paper Session 1 (2 papers): 11:15am-1:15pm
Workshop and lunch: 1:30-3:15pm
Paper Session 2 (2 papers): 3:30-5:30pm
Conference dinner: 6-8pm

Saturday, April 29

Breakfast and registration: 9-10am
Paper Session 3 (2 papers): 10:15am-12:15pm
Kristie Dotson keynote presentation and lunch: 12:30-2:30pm
Paper Session 4 (2 papers): 2:45-4:45pm
Conference banquet: 6-8pm

Sunday, April 30

Breakfast: 9-10am
Paper Session 5 (2 papers): 10:15am-12:15pm
Student keynote presentation and lunch: 12:30-2:00pm

A full conference schedule with presentation times and location details will be available in late March/early April.

Registration

Students: \$25

Faculty/Staff and Community Members: \$40

Six meals will be provided to registered attendees: Friday lunch and dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch, and Sunday breakfast and lunch. The Saturday night banquet will be reserved for presenters, commentators, and session chairs. The registration fee should be paid at the conference (cash or check).

For further information, contact Professor Liz Goodnick at egoodnic@msudenver.edu or Professor Carol Quinn at cquinn10@msudenver.edu.