



*Crossing Borders - Border Crossings*

*8th Annual North Georgia  
Student Philosophy Conference*

*Kennesaw State University  
April 8 - April 9, 2011*

*Hosted by the Philosophy Student Association*

Friday, April 8th, 2011

10:30am - 11:30am . . . . . Registration and Refreshments

11:30am - 12:00pm . . . . . Opening Ceremonies

12:00pm - 1:30pm . . . . . Knowledge and Values

*Javier Gomez-Lavin . . . . . The College of Charleston*

- *“The Epistemology of Fictional Models in Model Based Science”*

*Jeremy O’Steen . . . . . North Carolina State University*

- *“Kant’s Space and Early Modern Philosophy”*

*Jordan Gray . . . . . New York University*

- *“The Aesthetic Value of Photographs”*

1:30pm - 1:45pm . . . . . Break

1:45pm - 3:15pm . . . . . Ancient Projections

*Matthew Dudt . . . . . Kennesaw State University*

- *“The Penalty and Recompense of Translation: Anaximander  
through Nietzsche, Heidegger, and Gadamer”*

*Justin Downey . . . . . University of Dallas*

- *“We Feed the Gods and the Gods Feed Us”*

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3:15pm - 3:30pm . . . . . Break

3:30pm - 5:00pm . . . . . Existential Inquiries

*Evan Caris . . . . . GCSU*

*- "Finding an Existential Hero"*

*Ivan Soto . . . . . GCSU*

*- "Sartre and Racism: The Good News"*

*Stefan Swanson . . . . . Luther College*

*- "The Dire Necessity of God"*

5:00pm - 5:15pm . . . . . Closing Remarks

6:00pm . . . . . Reconvene at Los Reyes

Saturday, April 9th, 2011

8:30am - 9:00am . . . . . Registration and Refreshments

9:00am - 10:30am . . . . . Affective Concerns

*Cory Struder . . . . . Agnes Scott*

- *“Till Your Father’s Words Are Fulfilled Upon You: Deferring The Paternal Function in Defoe’s Robinson Crusoe”*

*Matthew Stewart . . . . . KSU / Simmons College*

- *“An Ethics of (m)othering: Abjection and Affectivity in Levinas, Kristeva, and Irigaray”*

*Nicole Carnevale . . . . . St. Lawrence University*

- *“True Love”*

10:30am - 10:45am . . . . . Break

10:45am - 11:45am . . . . . Power and Multiplicity

*Donnie Smith . . . . . University of West Georgia*

- *“Nietzsche’s Phenomenology of Will”*

*Mark Zientek . . . . . Furman University*

- *“A Case of Dominion”*

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11:45am - 1:00pm . . . . . Lunch

1:00pm - 2:00pm . . . . . Keynote Address  
*Dr. Bret Davis . . . . . Loyola College of Maryland*  
- *“The Other Inside the Self Outside”*

2:00pm - 2:15pm . . . . . Break

2:15pm - 3:45pm . . . . . Comparative Considerations  
*Cody Staton . . . . . Kennesaw State University*  
- *“An Immaculate Perception of the Real: Perspectival Hermeneutics  
of the Self in Zarathustra and Zhuangzi*  
*Mandy Lafond . . . . . St. Lawrence University*  
- *“Approaching the Field of Nihilty: A Critical Analysis of  
Nishitani After Nietzsche”*  
*Samuel Tyler . . . . . St. Lawrence University*  
- *“Tanabe and Levinas: Building Socio-Ethical Responsibility  
Through Nothingness and Radical Alterity”*

3:45pm - 4:00pm . . . . . Break

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- 4:00pm - 5:30pm . . . . . Religious Renditions  
*Luke Johnson . . . . . University of Georgia*  
- *“Rationalizing the Irrationalist: Meditations and Kierkegaard and the Paradox”*  
*Kathryn Dee . . . . . GCSU*  
- *“The Woman’s Presence in Kierkegaard’s Fear and Trembling”*  
*Catherine Hendricks . . . . . High Point University*  
- *“Possible Worlds, Sin, and Why It All Matters”*
- 6:00pm . . . . . Reception Off-Campus

If you have any questions at all concerning transportation, food, directions, etc. please see a member of the Philosophy Student Association.

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Other programs hosted by the Philosophy Student Association:

### OtherWise

An Online Journal of Student Philosophy dedicated to comparative philosophy and aims to serve as a bridge between various philosophical traditions and philosophers.  
[otherwisejournal.net/contents.html](http://otherwisejournal.net/contents.html)

### Mike Ryan Lecture Series

The Mike Ryan Lecture Series offers students, faculty, and the local community access to world-renowned scholars from a number of different disciplines (art, literature, history, religion, and philosophy) at Kennesaw State University.

### Osoinach Student Lecture Series

The Osoinach Student Lecture Series was created as a showcase for student philosophy at Kennesaw State University. The OSLS represents our dedication to the presentation of student thought and advancement through discourse.

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[www.philosophystudentassociation.com](http://www.philosophystudentassociation.com)