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## COLIN MCLEAR

### Appointments

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA–LINCOLN

2013–present. Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

2012–13. *The Philosophical Review* Visiting Lecturer, Sage School of Philosophy.

### Education

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

2013. PhD, Philosophy.

HUMBOLDT-UNIVERSITÄT ZU BERLIN

2011–12. DAAD, Visiting Scholar.

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITÄT

2010–11. Visiting Student.

KENYON COLLEGE

May, 2000. BA, Philosophy, Music.

### AOS

History of Modern (especially Kant), Philosophy of Mind.

### AOC

Aesthetics, Epistemology, Ethics, German Idealism, Political Theory.

### Articles

Forthcoming. “Getting Acquainted with Kant”. In Dennis Schulting (ed.), *Kantian Nonconceptualism*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Forthcoming. “Animals & Objectivity”. In Lucy Allais, John Callanan (eds.) *Kant on Animals*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Forthcoming. “Intuition & Presence”. In Anil Gomes, Andrew Stephenson (eds), *Kant: Philosopher of Mind*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Forthcoming. “Kant’s Theory of Mind”. *The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.

Forthcoming. “[Kant on Perceptual Content](#).” *Mind*.

2015. “[Two Kinds of Unity in the Critique of Pure Reason](#).” *Journal of the History of Philosophy* 53(1): 79–110.

2014. “[The Kantian \(Non\)-Conceptualism Debate](#).” *Philosophy Compass* 9(11): 769–90.

2011. “[Kant on Animal Consciousness](#).” *Philosophers’ Imprint* 11(15): 1–16.

### Reviews & Criticism

Forthcoming. “Review of Lanier Anderson, *The Poverty of Conceptual Thought*.” *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews*.

Forthcoming. “Review of Robert Brandom, *From Empiricism to Expressivism*.” *Ethics*.

Invited  
Presentations

- 2015. "Comments on Lucy Allais' *Manifest Reality*." Author meets critics session for *Virtual Critique*.
- 2014. "Comments on Stefanie Grüne's *Blinde Anschauung: Die Rolle von Begriffen in Kants Theorie sinnlicher Synthesis*." Author meets critics session for *Virtual Critique*.
- 2010. "Three Skeptics and the Critique: Critical Notice of Michael Forster's Kant and Skepticism." Co-written with Andrew Chignell. *Philosophical Books* 51(4): 228–244.
- 2014. "Definition & Essence in the *Metaphysical Foundations of Natural Science*." Annual Meeting of the UK Kant Society, University of Oxford. August.
- 2013. "The Role of the Understanding in Kant's Philosophy of Nature." Contemporary Kantian Philosophy Workshop, University of Luxembourg. October.
- 2013. "Animals and Objectivity." Kant on Animals Conference, University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa. July.
- 2013. "Kant on the Representation of an Object." University of Michigan; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Illinois State University. January–February.

Presentations

- 2015. "Definition & Essence in the *Metaphysical Foundations of Natural Science*." Pacific division of the American Philosophical Association in Vancouver, BC. April.
- 2014. "Intuition & Presence." Midwest Study Group of the North American Kant Society, Washington University in St. Louis. October.
- 2014. "Priority Monism, Intuition, and Freedom." Conference on Kantian Freedom at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, BC. October.
- 2014. "Kant on Intuition and Hallucination." Pacific division of the American Philosophical Association. April.
- 2013. "Kant and McDowell on Perceptual Givenness." Central division of the American Philosophical Association. February.
- 2012. "Intellectualism and the Transcendental Deduction." Eastern division of the American Philosophical Association. December.
- 2012. "Kant on Relation to an Object." Philosophy Workshop/Colloquium, Cornell University. November.
- 2012. "Form, Matter, and Relation to an Object." Kolloquium Prof. Dr. Tobias Rosefeldt, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. May.
- 2012. "Two Conceptions of Unity in Kant's Critique of Pure Reason." Eastern Meeting of the North American Kant Society, Princeton University. April.
- 2012. "Kant and McDowell on Perceptual Givenness." Workshop on the Epistemology of Perception, Birkbeck University. March.
- 2011. "Kant and Perceptual Content." Kolloquium Prof. Dr. Tobias Rosefeldt, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. November.
- 2011. "Kant and Perceptual Content: A Plea for Austere Relationalism." Conceptual Content: History and Prospects, Cambridge University. September.
- 2011. "Strands of Subjectivity: Kant on the Presentation and Projection of Sensible Qualities." Philosophy Workshop/Colloquium, Cornell University. February.
- 2011. "Kantian Aesthetics and the Problem of Sensory Communicability." Sinn und Sinnlichkeit: Uses and Abuses of Aesthetics Today, Cornell University. February.
- 2010. "Disjunctivism and Psychology." Philosophy Workshop/Colloquium, Cornell University. May.

#### Comments

- 2010. “Descartes on Cognizing Material Particulars.” Upstate New York Early Modern Philosophy Workshop, Syracuse University. March.
- 2008. “Descartes on Sensation: The Syntactic-Causation Model.” 4th Biennial Margaret Dauler Wilson Conference, Cornell University. June.
- 2008. “Identity and Transcendental Idealism.” Graduate Prize Essay; East division of the North American Kant Society, City University of New York. April.
- 2015. “Grüne on the Object-Dependence of Intuition.” Workshop on Kant and the Mind, University of Oxford. January.
- 2012. Comments on Desmond Hogan’s “Handedness, Idealism, and Freedom.” Workshop on Force, Upstate New York Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy. December.
- 2012. Comments on Andrew Specht’s “Rethinking the Neglected Alternative.” Meeting of the Creighton Club: New York Philosophical Association, Hobart & William Smith Colleges. November.
- 2012. Comments on Lawrence Pasternack’s “Kant on Opinion.” 1st Biannual Meeting of the North American Kant Society. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. June.
- 2010. Comments on Adam Pautz’s “Why Consciousness Cannot Just be in the Head: A New Argument against Biological Theories.” Cornell University. March.

#### Teaching

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA–LINCOLN:

- PHIL 971 – Topics in Kant (biannually)
- PHIL 871 – Graduate Survey of Kant’s Critical Philosophy (biannually)
- PHIL 232 – History of Modern Philosophy (annually)
- PHIL 101 – Introduction to Philosophy (every semester)

CORNELL UNIVERSITY:

- Writing Seminar – Technology and Society.
- Writing Seminar – Politics and Human Nature.
- PHIL 101 – Introduction to Philosophy.

#### Service

- 2015-16. Central Division APA, Program Committee member.
- 2015. Organizer, Chambers Conference, “[Kant on Introspection, Self-Consciousness, and Self-Knowledge](#).” University of Nebraska–Lincoln, May.
- 2014-16. UNL Philosophy Department: History Area Committee; Placement Co-director; Speakers Committee; UNL Graduate Fellowship Committee.
- 2013. Co-organizer, Second NAKS Biannual Meeting. Cornell University, June.
- Ongoing. Referee for *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, *Dialogue*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Kantian Review* (multiple times), *Mind* (multiple times), *Minds & Machines*, *Oxford University Press*, *Philosophers’ Imprint*, *Philosophical Papers*, *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research*, *Res Philosophica*, *Social Theory & Practice*, [SSHRC of Canada](#), *The Philosophical Review*.
- Ongoing. Subject-area Editor: Kant’s Works, [Philpapers.org](#).

#### Languages

- German (reading and speaking).
- Latin (basic reading).

#### Awards

2015. International Travel Grant, University of Nebraska–Lincoln.  
2012–13. *Philosophical Review* Lectureship.  
2011–12. DAAD Research Grant.  
2010–11. Cornell/Heidelberg Exchange Fellowship.  
2006/2009. Sage Fellowship, Cornell University.  
2000. Virgil C. Aldrich Prize, Kenyon College.

#### References

Lucy Allais, [lucy.allais@wits.ac.za](mailto:lucy.allais@wits.ac.za) – University of Witwatersrand/University of California–San Diego.  
Andrew Chignell, [chignell@cornell.edu](mailto:chignell@cornell.edu) – Cornell University.  
Michelle Kosch, [mak229@cornell.edu](mailto:mak229@cornell.edu) – Cornell University.  
Derk Pereboom, [dp346@cornell.edu](mailto:dp346@cornell.edu) – Cornell University.  
Tobias Rosefeldt, [tobias.rosefeldt@hu-berlin.de](mailto:tobias.rosefeldt@hu-berlin.de) – Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin.