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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.

### Publications

Forthcoming. "[The Kantian \(Non\)-Conceptualism Debate](#)." *Philosophy Compass*.

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

Forthcoming. "[Two Kinds of Unity in the Critique of Pure Reason](#)." *Journal of the History of Philosophy*.

2011. "[Kant on Animal Consciousness](#)." *Philosophers' Imprint* 11(15): 1-16.

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.

### Invited Presentations

2014. Title TBA. 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

- 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.
- 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.

#### Comments

- 2014. Comments on Stefanie Grüne's *Blinde Anschauung: Die Rolle von Begriffen in Kants Theorie sinnlicher Synthesis*. Author meets critics session for [Virtual Critique](#). May.
- 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.
- 2011. 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:

- 2014. Assistant Professor - History of Modern Philosophy. Spring.
- 2014. Assistant Professor - Introduction to Philosophy. Spring.
- 2013. Assistant Professor - Graduate Seminar on Conceptualism. Fall.
- 2013. Assistant Professor - Introduction to Philosophy. Fall.

##### CORNELL UNIVERSITY:

- 2013. Lecturer - Technology and Society. Spring.
- 2013. Lecturer - Introduction to Philosophy. Spring.
- 2012. Lecturer - Politics and Human Nature. Fall.

#### Service

- Referee for *Kantian Review* (multiple times), *Mind* (multiple times), *Oxford University Press*, *Philosophers' Imprint*, *The Philosophical Review*, *Philosophy & Phenomenological Research*, *Social Theory & Practice*, [SSHRC of Canada](#).
- 2015. Organizer, Chambers Conference, "Kant on Introspection, Self-Consciousness, and Self-Knowledge." University of Nebraska-Lincoln, May.
- 2014. UNL Philosophy Department: History Area Committee; Speakers Committee; UNL Graduate Fellowship Committee.
- 2013-present. Subject-area Editor: Kant's Works, [Philpapers.org](#).
- 2013. Co-organizer, Second NAKS Biannual Meeting. Cornell University, June.

#### Languages

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

#### Awards

- 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 Sussex, Philosophy.  
Andrew Chignell, [chignell@cornell.edu](mailto:chignell@cornell.edu) - Cornell University, Philosophy.  
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Philosophy.  
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