



Eastern Michigan University

Undergraduate Conference in Philosophy

2025 Schedule

SATURDAY, NOV. 8th

8:00 AM - 8:50 AM | WELCOME

Tower Room (348):

Join Dr. John Koolage for a brief welcome message and breakfast!

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Everett McKay, University of Utah: "Where Emotions Become Ugly: Socioaestheticization and Aesthetic Pathologization"

Comments: Adriana Wynn, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

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10:00 AM - 10:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Fiona Hamilton, The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga: "Heraclitean Cosmos as a Container"

Comments: Priya Ghotane, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

Heather Nakatsukasa, Linfield University: "The Historical Development of Capital: Transforming Society"

Comments: Peyton Baldwin, Eastern Michigan University

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Lucia Jackson, Montana State University: "The Enforced Vulnerability and Ungrievability of Black and Trans Women in The United States Prison System"

Comments: Kalista Leggitt, University of Utah

Alumni Room (342):

Conrad McIntosh, Grand Valley State University: "Objective and Formal Reality: An Answer to the Gassendi Problem"

Comments: Ava Ryan-Young, Eastern Michigan University

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM | LUNCH & KEYNOTE

Guild Room (330):

Holly Kantin, The University of Alabama: ""Not a Choice!" "Born This Way!" Does it Matter?: Clarifying the Role and Relevance of Etiological Claims in the Context of Gay Advocacy"

SATURDAY, NOV. 8th - Continued

1:30 PM - 2:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Annika Prange, Linfield University: "She is Bound: A Peek at the Undressed Woman"

Comments: Sage Henke, Linfield University

Alumni Room (342):

Shyanna Mayes, Linfield University: "Feminism of Women's Projection onto Male Characters in Media"

Comments: Fiona Hamilton, The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga

2:30 PM - 3:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Priya Ghotane, Eastern Michigan University: "Indoctrination, Religious Education, and the Case for Epistemic Diversity in Curriculum"

Comments: David Henderson, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

Olivia Niemenski, Eastern Michigan University : "Scientific Participation and Engagement Between Researchers & The Public: An Archeological Museum Study"

Comments: McKenna Schmittlein, Eastern Michigan University

Guild Room (330):

A2 Ethics Bowl Presenters:

- Samir Rao: "Man's Best Frenemy: Our moral duties around domestication"
- Sakshi Sivakumar, Amy Yang, and Amelia Bai: "The Ethicality behind the Obligation of Assimilation"
- Izzy Choi: "The Duty of Being"
- Haochen Tian: "An Ethical Dilemma: The Conflict Inherent in For-Profit AI Companionship"

3:30 PM - 4:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Jacob MacFarland, Linfield University: "Hostage to the Pen: The Unethical Obligation of Exploitation Within Capitalism"

Comments: Luke Nordberg, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

Jamison Nemecek, Linfield University: "From Phenomenology to Dialectics: Space, Time, and the Moving Body"

Comments: Sylvia Thompson, Eastern Michigan University

Guild Room (330):

A2 Ethics Bowl Presenters

- Ryanna RePass: "Morals or Manipulation?"
- Nome Popp Berman: "Ethical CRISPR Development"
- Hrudya Pingili: "The Question That Outlives the Answer: Humanity's Search for Meaning"
- Alexandra Pryplesh: "'There is no doer': Monique Wittig's legacy within and beyond critique"

SUNDAY, NOV. 9th

8:00 AM - 8:50 AM | WELCOME**Tower Room (348):**

Join Dr. John Koolage for a brief welcome message and breakfast!

9:00 AM - 9:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS**Tower Room (348):**

Satyam Sinha, Michigan State University: "Kant, Statelessness, and the Case for a World Government"

Comments: Aryasatya Anindita, St. John's College Annapolis

Alumni Room (342):

Kenneth McMillen, Linfield University: "The Veil of Jurisprudence: How International Law Masks Coercive Violence"

Comments: Adam Almaleky, University of Michigan

10:00 AM - 10:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS**Tower Room (348):**

Sage Henke, Linfield University: "I Always Feel Like Somebody's Watching Me: A Diagnosis of Ideological Conceptions in the Capitalist Legal Form"

Comments: Luca D'stasio, University of Michigan

Alumni Room (342):

Kali Killingsworth, Arizona State University: "Hyperdimensional Neutral Monism and the Proto-Panpsychist Structural Solution"

Comments: Jason Folk, Eastern Michigan University

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM | PRESENTATIONS**Tower Room (348):**

Mallory Venezia, Claremont McKenna College: "Without Ever Touching His Skin: The Autonomy of Sexual Fantasies"

Comments: Brendan Maguire, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

Xavier Parker, University of Arkansas at Little Rock: "Public Intoxication, the Purpose of Law and Autonomy"

Comments: Hunter Sturm, Eastern Michigan University

12:00 PM - 1:15 PM | LUNCH**Restaurant of your choice**

Enjoy lunch at one of the wonderful restaurants within walking distance of McKenny Hall. Vegetarian and vegan options are available.

SUNDAY, NOV. 9th - Continued

1:30 PM - 2:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Ava Ryan-Young, Eastern Michigan University: "Oral History in Scientific Communities"

Comments: Kali Killingsworth, Arizona State University

Alumni Room (342):

Jason Folk, Eastern Michigan University: "An Issue with Issue 1"

Comments: Jamison Nemecek, Linfield University

2:30 PM - 3:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Kallista Leggitt, University of Utah: "Nested Pediatric Ethicalities"

Comments: Satyam Sinha, Michigan State University

Alumni Room (342):

Aryasatya Anindita, St. John's College Annapolis: "Searching for Laws: Rethinking the Metaphysics of Experimentation vis-à-vis Faraday and Kant"

Comments: Ozma Smith, Eastern Michigan University

3:30 PM - 4:20 PM | PRESENTATIONS

Tower Room (348):

Peyton Cooper & Katherine Berensen, University of Utah: "A New AI Crisis in Mental Healthcare"

Comments: Lauren Williams, Eastern Michigan University

Alumni Room (342):

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4:20 PM - 4:50 PM | CLOSING CEREMONY

Tower Room (348):

Join the UCiP Team as we thank you for your participation!