



## Steven DeLay

### *Curriculum Vitae*

#### **Employment**

- 2019- Ambrose College, Woolf University  
2018-2019 Thomas Jack Lynch Teacher-Scholar Postdoctoral Fellow, Wake Forest University

#### **Areas of Specialization**

Phenomenology, Christian Existentialism

#### **Areas of Competence**

History of Philosophy, Philosophy of Art, Moral Psychology

#### **Education**

- 2013-2017 University of Oxford, DPhil in philosophy, May 2017  
2010-2013 Rice University, M.A. in philosophy, May 2013  
2005-2010 Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, B.A. in philosophy & political science, June 2010

#### **Research**

##### **Books**

- 2020 *In the Spirit*, John Hunt Publishing  
2020 *Before God: Exercises in Subjectivity*, Rowman & Littlefield International  
2019 *Phenomenology in France: A Philosophical and Theological Introduction*, Routledge  
*Conscience: A Philosophical History*, Rowman & Littlefield International (in preparation)  
*Life above the Clouds: Philosophy in the Films of Terrence Malick*, edited, SUNY Press (in preparation)  
*Finding Meaning: Philosophy in Crisis*, edited (in preparation)

##### **Articles**

- "Some Reflections on the American Scholar," in progress  
2021 "Being True," special issue edited by Neal DeRoo "Phenomenology, Spirituality, and Religion," *Religions* 12 (4), 262  
2021 "The Heart Senses," Turkish translation, "Kalp Duyulari," *Sabah Ülkesi*, Sayı 66 (1), 104-110

## Articles (continued)

- 2020 “Being Oneself: Self-Consciousness in Husserl and Henry,” In *La presenza impossibile Husserl e le sintesi passive*, special issue of *Philosophy Kitchen* edited by Claudio Tarditi and Alberto Giustiniano, *Rivista di filosofia contemporanea*, #12, 77-83
- Turkish translation, “Kendi Olmak: Husserl ve Henry’de Öz-Bilinç,” *Sabah Ülkesi*, Sayı 63 (2), 106-111
- 2019 “The Vanity of Authenticity,” *Sophia*, 1-47
- 2017 “Disclosing Worldhood or Expressing Life? Heidegger and Henry on the Origin of the Work of Art,” *Journal of Aesthetics and Phenomenology*, 4 (2), 155-171
- 2016 “The Toiling Lily: Narrative Life, Responsibility and the Ontological Ground of Self-Deception,” *Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences*, 15 (1), 103-116
- 2014 “God and Givenness: Toward a Phenomenology of Mysticism,” *Continental Philosophy Review*, 47 (1), 87-106

## Book Chapters

- 2022 “Methodological Atheism Considered,” In *Routledge Handbook to Theology and Phenomenology* (eds.) Joseph Rivera and Joseph O’Leary, New York and Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge
- 2022 “Waiting on Love,” in preparation for *Phenomenologies of Love*, (eds.) Iulian Apostolescu & Veronica Cibotaru
- 2022 “The Word’s Inexhaustibility: Jean-Louis Chrétien’s *De La Fatigue*,” In *Finitude’s Wounded Praise: Responses to Jean-Louis Chrétien*, (eds.) Philip Gonzalez and Joseph McMeans (in preparation, Wipf & Stock)
- 2022 “Introduction,” In *Life above the Clouds: Philosophy in the Films of Terrence Malick*, (ed.) Steven DeLay, Stony Brook, New York: SUNY Press
- 2021 “Lacoste on Appearing and Reduction,” in progress for a volume on Jean-Yves Lacoste, (eds.) Joeri Schrijvers and Martin Kočí
- 2020 “The Power at Work within Us,” In *Transforming the Theological Turn: Phenomenology with Emmanuel Falque* (eds.) Martin Kočí and Jason Alvis, New York and London: Rowman and Littlefield, 187-202.
- 2017 “Against Onto-theology: Will and Love in the Mystical Tradition,” In *Commitments to Medieval Mysticism within Contemporary Contexts*. Leuven—Paris—Bristol, CT: Peeters, 95-110.

## Journal Editions and Series

- 2020 *Finding Meaning: Philosophy, Art, and Science in the Age of Nihilism*, curated by Richard Marshall and edited by Steven DeLay, 3:16 AM, October 2020
- 2019 *Existential and Phenomenological Conceptions of the Relationship between Philosophy and Theology*, edited with Nikolaas Deketelaere and Elizabeth Li, special issue of *Open Theology*, 5 (1), July 2019

## Reviews and Replies

- 2020 K.E. Løgstrup, *Kierkegaard's and Heidegger's Analysis of Existence and its Relation to Proclamation*, *The Review of Metaphysics*
- 2020 Paul Downes, *Concentric Space as a Life Principle Beyond Schopenhauer, Nietzsche and Ricoeur*, *Phenomenological Reviews*
- 2020 Emmanuel Housset, *Le don des mains: Phénoménologie de l'incorporation*, *Phenomenological Reviews*
- 2019 Matthew Burch, Jack Marsh, Irene McMullin (eds.) *Normativity, Meaning, and the Promise of Phenomenology*, *Phenomenological Reviews*
- 2019 Phenomenology in France: A Reply to Claudio Tarditi, *Phenomenological Debates*
- 2019 Dan Zahavi (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of the History of Phenomenology*, *Metascience*, 28 (2) 335-340
- 2016 John Davenport, *Narrative, Autonomy, and Mortality: From Frankfurt and MacIntyre to Kierkegaard*, *European Journal of Philosophy*, 24 (1) 289-298
- 2016 Joseph Rivera, *The Contemplative Self after Michel Henry*, *Symposium: Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy*
- 2015 J.R. Hustwit, *Interreligious Hermeneutics and the Pursuit of Truth*, *Review of Metaphysics*, 69 (3) 141-143

## Interviews and Talks

- 2020 "Film as Art and Philosophy? An Introduction to the Films of Terrence Malick," Oxford University Philosophy Society, Oxford, November
- 2020 "Paul and the Philosophers," Dieu Phénomène: INPR International Doctoral and Post-Doctoral Seminar, Cornwall, New York, September
- 2020 "Methodological Atheism Considered," Tenth Annual Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy, Texas State University, San Marcos
- 2020 "Methodological Atheism Considered," 52<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the North Texas Philosophical Association, University of Texas at Dallas
- 2019 "Divine Things and the Fluidity of Thought," Dublin City University, Ireland
- 2019 "Either/Or: God in Phenomenology," Università degli Studi di Parma
- 2019 "Suffering and Salvation: A Note on Art," Oxford University Philosophy Society, Oxford
- 2019 "Is Phenomenology in France Theology or Philosophy?" Richard Marshall's 3:16 AM <https://316am.site123.me/articles/is-phenomenology-in-france-theology-or-philosophy?c=end-times-series>
- 2019 "Forgiveness," Institut Catholique de Paris, Séminaire international (INPR)
- 2019 "Forgiveness," Ninth Annual Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy, University of Utah, Salt Lake City
- 2019 "Forgiveness," University of South Carolina, 19<sup>th</sup> Annual South Carolina Society for

## Talks (continued)

Philosophy, Columbia, South Carolina

- 2019 “The Power at Work within Us,” Institute Catholique de Paris, International Network in the Philosophy of Religion, Séminaire de recherche Philosophie de la religion, Paris
- 2018 “Making Peace,” Rice University, Department of Religion Colloquium, Houston
- 2018 “Jean-Yves Lacoste: From Being-in-the-world to Living-before-God” University of Saint Thomas, Department of Philosophy, Houston
- 2018 “Jean-Louis Chrétien: the call and the response,” Eighth Annual Southwest Seminar in Continental Philosophy, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona
- 2015 “Life, Art, and Painting the Invisible: Michel Henry on Kandinsky” The Work of Phenomenology and the Work of Art, Sixth Annual University of Sussex Graduate Conference in Phenomenology, Brighton, United Kingdom
- 2015 “The Phenomenological Argument for Immortality” The Philosophy and Theology of Immortality, University of Hull, a Templeton Foundation “Immortality Project” conference, Hull, United Kingdom
- 2015 “The Black Sun of Vanity and the Erotic Reduction in Jean-Luc Marion” Breached Horizons: The Work of Jean-Luc Marion, Center for Advanced Research in European Philosophy, Kings University College, London, Canada
- 2015 “The Vanity of Authenticity,” Post-Kantian European Philosophy Seminar, Faculty of Philosophy, Oxford
- 2014 “What is Truth? A Theological, Phenomenological Perspective” Christian Philosophy Conference, 54th annual meeting, St John’s Seminary, Womersley, United Kingdom
- 2013 “What is Truth?” Truth and Phenomenology, Second Annual New York Phenomenology Research Group Conference, New School for Social Research, New York City
- 2012 “The Toiling Lily: Narrative Life, Responsibility, and the Ontological Ground of Self-Deception” Narrativity, Interpretation, and Responsibility, International School for Philosophy, Leusden, Netherlands
- 2012 “Resignation, Appropriation, and Onto-Theology: The Place of Will in Eckhart and Kierkegaard” Commitments to Medieval Mystical Texts within Contemporary Contexts, Catholic University of Leuven, Leuven, Belgium
- 2012 “Yachts and Chains: Alienation in an Age of Technology” Society for European Philosophy, Manchester, United Kingdom
- 2012 “Phenomenology as Transcendental Existentialism” Speaking the Phenomenon: Third Annual University of Sussex Graduate Conference in Phenomenology, Brighton, United Kingdom
- 2011 “Narrativity and Heideggerian Authenticity” 44<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the North Texas Philosophical Association, University of North Texas
- 2009 “Investigating the First-Person Perspective,” Philosophy Department Spring Colloquium, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

## Teaching

### Ambrose

- 2020 Nihilism and the Death of God: Dostoevsky, Nietzsche, and Freud
- 2019 Modern European Philosophy: Phenomenology (Husserl and Heidegger)

### Wake Forest University

- 2019 Basic Problems of Philosophy (x2)  
Seminar in Phenomenology
- 2018 Introduction to Philosophy of Religion

### Oxford

- 2021 Existentialism
- 2016 Phenomenology and Aesthetics
- 2015 Husserl and Merleau-Ponty  
Husserl and Sartre  
Phenomenology and the Theological Turn
- 2014 General Philosophy (co-convened with Dr. Michelle Liu)  
Nietzsche  
Husserl and Heidegger  
Dostoevsky, Nietzsche, and Freud  
Kierkegaard  
Sartre and Merleau-Ponty  
Schopenhauer

### Theses

Felipe Vargas (in progress), *The problem of givenness as essence of phenomenality and its relation to revelation: A critique of the revealed phenomenon in givenness* (lector with Dr. Juan Diego Moya and Dr. Manuel Triana, Universidad de Costa Rica, MA Thesis)

### Service and Professional Activities

- 2018 Member, International Network in Philosophy of Religion
- 2016 Instructor, CBL International Oxford & Cambridge Summer Academy
- 2015 College Invigilator, Christ Church, Oxford
- 2015 Co-organizer, Oxford Faculty of Philosophy DPhil Speakers Seminar, Oxford
- 2014 Undergraduate Admissions Interviews, New College PPE Programme, Oxford

### Referee

SUNY Press, Oxford University Press, *Philosophy Today*, *Australasian Journal of Philosophy*, *Open Theology*, *Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* (x2), *Christian Bioethics*, *Journal of Religious Ethics*, *ARGUMENT: Biannual Philosophical Journal*

- 2015 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Oxford Philosophy Graduate Student Conference

<http://users.ox.ac.uk/~gradconf/2015/programme.shtml>

- 2014 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Oxford Philosophy Graduate Student Conference  
Art, Language, Poetry: From Kant to Heidegger, University of Kent
- 2013 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Oxford Philosophy Graduate Student Conference, November 2013
- 2011 Academic Assistant, “Consciousness, Intentionality, and Phenomenality” conference, Rice University, October 2011  
<https://web.archive.org/web/20120314210547/http://hrc.rice.edu/consciousness>

### **Awards**

- 2015 American Friends of Christ Church Scholarship, Oxford
- 2014 American Friends of Christ Church Scholarship, Oxford
- 2009 Best Student Essay for “Investigating Conscious Experience from the First-Person Perspective,” Cal Poly (SLO) Philosophy Department

### **Languages**

French (reading)  
Koine Greek (elementary)

### **References**

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