

DR. JAMES BAHOH

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

German and French Philosophy (Kant to present)
Focus: Deleuze, Heidegger, and German Idealism

AREAS OF COMPETENCE

History of Philosophy (Ancient,
Medieval, and Early Modern)
History and Philosophy of Science

Social and Political Philosophy
Ethics
Aesthetics

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Assistant Professor
Department of Philosophy
Marquette University
August 13, 2018 – current

VolkswagenStiftung / Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow
International Centre for Philosophy NRW and Institute for Philosophy
University of Bonn
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel
August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2018

Scholar in Residence
Simon Silverman Phenomenology Center
Duquesne University
AY 2016-17

EDUCATION

Universität Heidelberg (Heidelberg, Germany), German Summer Sem. 2016 (March-Aug.)
Philosophisches Seminar Research Exchange

Ph.D. Duquesne University (Pittsburgh, PA), Philosophy, May 2016
Dissertation: *Heidegger and Deleuze: The Groundwork of Evental Ontology*
Committee: Dr. Daniel Selcer (director), Dr. Fred Evans, Dr. Andrew Mitchell (Emory University)

M.A. Boston College (Boston, MA), Philosophy, 2006
Primary Mentor: William J. Richardson
Comprehensive Exams on Ancient, Medieval, Modern, and Contemporary Philosophy:
Passed with Distinction

B.A. California State University at Chico (Chico, CA), Philosophy, 2003
Honors with Option in Pre-Graduate Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Heidegger's Ontology of Events. Under contract with Edinburgh University Press. Draft typescript complete.

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

'Deleuze's Theory of Dialectical Ideas: The Influence of Lautman and Heidegger,' *Deleuze Studies* (forthcoming).

Russian translation: 'Teoriia dialekticheskikh Idei u Deleza: vliianie Lotmana i Khaideggera' ('Теория диалектических идей у Делеза: Влияние Лотмана и Хайдеггера'), trans. Artem Morozov, *The Logos Journal (ЖУРНАЛ ЛОГОС)* (forthcoming 2019).

'Heidegger's Differential Concept of Truth in *Beiträge*,' *Gatherings: The Heidegger Circle Annual*, Vol. 4 (May 2014): 39-69.

'On the Ontological Status of Difference in Deleuze's *Difference and Repetition*,' *Review Journal of Political Philosophy*, Meerut Vol. 7 (Sept. 2010): 103-112.

Edited Journal Issue

James Bahoh, Dave Mesing, and Jason Wirth (eds.), *Schelling and Naturphilosophie*, a special issue of *Comparative and Continental Philosophy*, Vol. 8.3 (2016). Includes a 'Guest Editors' Preface,' co-authored by James Bahoh and Dave Mesing.

Interviews

'Heidegger and Art,' interviewed by William Theodoracopulos, July 5, 2018, Theostudio.org (forthcoming).

Early Career Research Spotlight, The American Philosophical Association Blog, April 2018: <https://blog.apaonline.org/2018/04/05/early-career-research-spotlight-james-bahoh/>

Works in Progress

Book: *The Historical and Systematic Ground of Recent Ontologies of 'Events': The Critique of Representation in Classical German Philosophy*.

Article: 'Deleuze on Kant and Maimon: Conditional vs Genetic Grounds.'

Article: 'The Concept of Involution in Deleuze and Spinoza.'

Review Article: Janae Sholtz, *The Invention of a People: Heidegger and Deleuze on Art and the Political, Philosophy in Review*.

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- VolkswagenStiftung / Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, €1,100 Aug. 2017 - July 2018
 Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities, University of Bonn, International Centre for
 Philosophy NRW. Research project: ‘The Critique of Representation in German Idealism:
 The Historical and Systematic Ground of Recent Ontologies of “Events.”’
- McAnulty College Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship, \$15,500 AY 2014-2015
- NEH Endowment Grant, \$3,000 Dec. 2013
 Support for second annual Pittsburgh Summer Symposium in Contemporary Philosophy
 project: *Formalism and the Real: Ontology, Politics and the Subject*, August 2014, Duquesne
 University.
- NEH Endowment Grant, \$4,300 May 2013
 Co-authored with Prof. Daniel Selcer. Support for Pittsburgh Summer Symposium in
 Contemporary Philosophy project: *Schelling and Naturphilosophie*, August 2013, Duquesne
 University.
- Duquesne University Dept. of Philosophy Dissertation Scholarship, \$17,000 AY 2012-13
- Lynne and Bert Einloth III Endowed Scholarship, \$3,000 Summer 2012
 For intensive French language study in Paris
- DAAD Intensive German Language Study Grant, €2,300 Summer 2008
- Ronald Polansky Graduate Student Scholarship, \$3,000 Summer 2008
 For intensive German language study in Freiburg

TEACHING

- Marquette University**, Visiting Assistant Professor, AY 2018-19
 Foundations in Philosophy (4 sections)
- The University of Bonn**, Postdoctoral Fellow, German Summer Semester 2018
 Deleuze’s Engagement with Classical German Philosophy (Graduate Seminar)
- Duquesne University**, Adjunct Lecturer S2011, S2012-F2015, S2017; Graduate Instructor AY2007-08
 Basic Philosophical Questions (16 sections)
 Basic Philosophical Questions – Online Course (1 section)
 Guest lecture in graduate seminar on Deleuze, March 2015
- New Jersey City University**, Adjunct Professor, S2009-S2011
 Existentialism and Phenomenology (1 section)
 Perspectives on Death (1 section)
 Independent Study: Historical Origins of Existentialism (1 section)
 Contemporary Moral Issues (2 sections)
 Persons and Problems (3 sections)
 Civilizations II: Renaissance to Contemporary Political Philosophy (2 sections)

REFEREED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- ‘Heidegger’s *Two* Concepts of Event in *Beiträge*,’ American Philosophical Association (APA) Eastern Division Meeting, Heidegger Circle Satellite Session, New York, January 2019.
- ‘Deleuze, Lautman, and the Ontology of Dialectical Ideas,’ Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP), Memphis, TN, Oct. 2017. Also accepted but not presented at the International Deleuze Studies Conference, Toronto, June 2017.
- ‘Heidegger’s “produktive Logik,”’ Heidegger Circle Conference, Chicago, Sept. 15-18, 2016.
- ‘Making Sense of the Independence of Being in Heidegger’s *Beiträge*,’ Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP), Atlanta, GA, Oct. 2015.
- ‘The Great Disdainer of All that is True: On the Status of the Essence of Truth in Heidegger’s *Beiträge*,’ *Collegium Phaenomenologicum* Participants’ Conference, Città di Castello, Italy, July 2013.
- ‘Heidegger’s Differential Concept of Truth in *Beiträge*,’ Heidegger Circle Conference, New Haven, CT, May 2-5, 2013.
- ‘Truth and the Rupture of Meaning: An Argument that *Sein* Cannot be Identified with *Sinn* for Heidegger,’ Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP), Rochester, NY, Nov. 2012.
- ‘Affect and Involution: Mapping a Deleuzian Ontology for Transdisciplinarity,’ Second International Deleuze Studies Conference, Universität zu Köln, Köln, Germany, Aug., 2009.
- ‘Involution. Revolution. – Deleuze and Spinoza,’ *Collegium Phaenomenologicum* Participants’ Conference, Città di Castello, Italy, July 2009.
- ‘What Difference Does Hegel Make? An Examination of the Status of Difference in Hegel’s System of Philosophy,’ University of Essex Graduate Conference: Two Hundred Years of *The Phenomenology of Spirit*; Essex, England, April 2007.
- ‘Heidegger and Benjamin: Through the *Flâneur* to Thought in the Streets,’ SUNY Binghamton PIC conference: Revolution, Resistance, and Methodologies of Transgression, April 2007.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- ‘Deleuze on Kant and Maimon: Conditional vs Genetic Grounds,’ Kolloquium zur französischen Philosophie, Universität Bonn, April 26, 2018.
- ‘Outline for a Realist Ontology of Problems: Heidegger, Lautman, and Deleuze,’ Kolloquium: Gegenwartsphilosophie, Universität Bonn, January 23, 2018.
- ‘The Critique of Representation in German Idealism: The Historical and Systematic Ground of Recent Ontologies of “Events,”’ Duquesne University, March 1, 2017.
- ‘On the Nature of Philosophical Problems in Heidegger, Lautman, and Deleuze,’ CSU Chico Philosophy Department Speaker Series, October 10, 2014.

‘Heidegger’s Differential Concept of Truth in *Beiträge*,’ Duquesne University Graduate Students in Philosophy Organization (GSIP) Colloquium, March 22, 2013.

‘Heidegger on Truth and Event: Why *Sein* is not Synonymous with *Sinn*,’ Duquesne University GSIP Colloquium, November 30, 2011.

‘Lucretius: Thinking Aleatory Materialism,’ New Jersey City University, October 2009.

‘...Tracking the An-Omalie in Deleuze’s Ontology,’ New Jersey City University: Conference on The Philosophy of Animal Life, April 2009.

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Director: Intensive Summer Symposium: ‘The Philosophy of Events,’ International Centre for Philosophy NRW, Universität Bonn, June 30 – July 6, 2018.

Funding: €10,000 from VolkswagenStiftung / Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship Grant.

More Information: <https://bonnphilosophyofev.wixsite.com/philofevents2018>

Keynote Speakers: Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel (Universität Bonn), Dr. Anna Longo (Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne), Prof. Dr. James Williams (Deakin University), Dr.

Sean Bowden (Deakin University), Prof. Dr. Jean-Luc Nancy (emeritus Université de Strasbourg)

Participant: Prof. Dr. Markus Gabriel’s Kolloquium: Gegenwartsphilosophie, Universität Bonn, Winter Semester, 2017-18

Participant: Prof. Dr. Anton Koch’s Kolloquium: Probleme der Ersten Philosophie, Universität Heidelberg, Summer Semester, 2016

Intensive German Language Study: Universität Heidelberg, March-August 2016

Co-Founder/Director: Pittsburgh Summer Symposium in Contemporary Philosophy (PSSCP)

The PSSCP serves to bring graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and junior faculty from around the world together with leading philosophers to advance research projects on focused themes important to contemporary philosophy. Each year the event is composed of a week of intensive seminars and a two-day participants’ conference at Duquesne University. I co-founded the PSSCP in 2013 and co-directed it again in 2014. I wrote and was awarded two NEH Endowment Grants to help fund these events. Roughly forty applicants from American and international universities are selected to participate (twenty-two universities in 2013 and twenty-six in 2014). Following the 2013 event, I co-edited a special edition of the journal *Comparative and Continental Philosophy*, devoted to that year’s theme.

- a. 2014: ‘Formalism and the Real: Ontology, Politics and the Subject,’ Aug. 2-8, 2014
Speakers: Bruno Bosteels (Cornell), Tom Eyers (Duquesne), Paul Livingston (New Mexico)
More Information: <http://pghsummersymposium6.wix.com/pghsummersymp2014>
- b. 2013: ‘Schelling and *Naturphilosophie*,’ Aug. 3-9, 2013
Speakers: Iain Hamilton Grant (U. of the West of England) and Jason Wirth (Seattle)
More information: <http://pghsummersymposium.wix.com/pghsummersymp2013>

Participant: Workshop on *Deleuze: Ethics and Dramatization*, Penn State, State College, PA, May 16, 2014

Research Assistant to Prof. Fred Evans, Duquesne University Department of Philosophy, fall 2013. Assisted with research for one article and one book:

- a. “‘Murmurs’ and ‘Calls’”: The Significance of Voice in the Political Reason of Foucault and Derrida,’ in *Between Foucault and Derrida*, ed. Yubraj Aryal, Vernon Cisney, Nicolae Morar (Edinburgh University Press, 2016).
- b. *Public Art and the Fragility of Democracy: An Essay in Political Aesthetics* (Columbia University Press, forthcoming September 2018).

Participant: *Collegium Phaenomenologicum*, Città di Castello, Italy, July 2013

Topic: Heidegger: Gelassenheit, Ethical Life, Ereignis (1933-1946)

Conference Organizing Committee: *Philosophy and Nature*, February 23, 2013

Sixth Annual Duquesne University Graduate Student Conference

Participant: Third Annual International Summer School in German Philosophy, July 2-13, 2012

‘The Ontological Turn in Contemporary Philosophy,’ Bonn University, Germany

Intensive French Language Study, La Sorbonne: Course de Civilisation Française, Paris, France, August 2012. Certificat de langue française niveau Intermédiaire B1

Intensive French Language Study: Alliance Française, Paris, France, July 2012

Conference Organizing Committee: *Aesthetics and Politics*, February 18, 2012

Sixth Annual Duquesne University Graduate Student Conference

Participant: *Collegium Phaenomenologicum*, Città di Castello, Italy, July 2009

Topic: The Subject of Politics

Intensive German Language Study: Goethe Institute, Freiburg, Germany, June-July 2008

Local Organizing Committee Member: Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP): Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA, 2008

Conference Director: *Ancient Friends in Contemporary Thinking*, February 23, 2008

Second Annual Duquesne University Graduate Student Conference