The University at Albany’s Philosophical Association Presents Its 4th Annual Graduate Student Philosophy Conference on:

Metaphysics

Saturday, April 9, 2011

9:30 am - 10:00 am. Breakfast and Meet & Greet
Standish Room

10:00 am - 10:55 am. Paper 1
Why Nihilism About Compositions Is Simpler Than It Looks
Presenter: Jared Woodward (Fordham University)
Commentator: Sarah Eade (University at Albany-SUNY)

11:00 am - 11:55 am. Paper 2
Bundles, Metrics, and Indiscernibles
Presenter: James Binkoski (University of Massachusetts-Amherst)
Commentator: Bill Young (University at Albany-SUNY)

12:00 pm - 12:55 pm. Paper 3
The Importance of Others for Identity: A Response to Parfit’s Problem with Personhood
Presenter: Andrew Ball (University of Windsor)
Commentator: Kevin Olbrys (University at Albany-SUNY)

1:00 pm - 1:45 pm. Lunch
Standish Room

2:00 pm - 2:55 pm. Paper 4
Ontologically Contingent Natural Kinds in Scientific Naturalism
Presenter: Ricardo Davila (Gonzaga University)
Commentator: Kimberly Van Orman (University at Albany-SUNY)

3:00 pm - 4:45 pm. Keynote Address
The Metaphysics of Fundamentality
Presenter: Dr. Ted Sider (New York University)
Moderator: Nick Partyka (University at Albany-SUNY)

*Post-Conference Reception to Follow