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## 2014-2015 Philosophy Colloquium

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# CULTURAL AFFAIRS/DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

## GRANT APPLICATION

first event happened

I. Applicant/Organization: **Department of Philosophy**

II. a. Responsible Organization Officer: **Jessica Miller**

Requesting: ~~\$1820.00~~  
1420.00

b. Title: **Chairperson**

c. Campus Address (include Email and Telephone): **The Maples [jessica.miller@umit.maine.edu](mailto:jessica.miller@umit.maine.edu) x3865**

III. Summary of program requiring funding (title; featured artist(s); speaker(s); scheduled date(s):

The Department of Philosophy is applying for funding from the Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series for its 2014-2015 Colloquium Series. This series of public presentations will provide opportunities for students, faculty, and community members, both within and outside the Department of Philosophy, to hear and discuss stimulating lectures on a wide range of topics. Each lecture program includes considerable time for questions and discussion, and special consideration is given to allowing and encouraging undergraduates time to speak up. Several of the scholars are also willing to spend more time at UMaine interacting with students and others in classrooms and informal settings. Our program includes a diverse range of distinguished speakers and topics. Speakers include Autumn Fiester, PhD the Director of Education in the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Fiester will give a lecture, teach a session of the philosophy capstone, and meet informally with interested students from philosophy and the health professions programs. Our planned speakers range from very promising early career scholars to established scholars of national and international reputation. The topics presented intersect with our core curriculum, and reflect our commitment to diversity and to raising philosophical issues of importance for members of our university and greater central Maine community.

- 1) "What's Blocking Environmental Culture?" 10/9/14  
Keith R. Peterson, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Colby College
- 2) "The Incredibly Philosophical Adventures of a Clinical Bioethicist" 11/20/14  
Jessica Miller, Chairperson, Department of Philosophy, UMaine
- 3) "Buddhist Military Defense of the Dhamma: Supreme Emergency?" 2/12/15  
Melissa Bergeron, Assistant Professor of Philosophy, U. S. Military Academy
- 4) "Deep, Dark, ...or Transparent? Knowing Our Desires" 3/26/15  
Lauren Ashwell, Assistant Professor, Bates College
- 5) "Mapping Queer Bioethics: Space, Place, and Locality" 4/23/15  
Autumn Fiester, Associate Professor, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

IV. Budget Proposal Form must be attached.

**Funding for current application is contingent upon submission of reports for any previous grant awards, including final budget and attendance figures.**

Jessica Miller 9/26/14

**SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION VIA EMAIL TO:** [alisha.lukas1@maine.edu](mailto:alisha.lukas1@maine.edu)

For questions regarding the Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series, please contact

## Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Fund Budget Proposal Form

Applicant/Organization: Department of Philosophy  
 Responsible Officer: Jessica Miller, Chairperson  
 Event Title: 2014-2015 Philosophy Colloquium Series  
 Event Date: 5 Programs during Fall 2104 and Spring 2015

<b>Total Program Budget:</b>	<b>\$3640</b>
Amount Committed by Applicant Organization:	\$1820
Total Amount Requested from Other Funding Sources:	\$0
Amount Requested from CA/DLS Committee:	\$1820*
Revenues, if any, expected (fees, ticket sales):	\$0

Notes: \$300 is the typical honorarium for a 2 hour lecture and discussion in philosophy. There is no funding requested for Jessica Miller's talk. Professor Fiester's honorarium is higher because (a) she will give more than one lecture, and (b) she is a professional bioethicist of national stature who is on the faculty of a medical school, not a traditional philosophy department.



Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
<b>Printing</b>		
Colloquium series flyer and flyers for Individual programs	\$0	\$200
<b>Keith R. Peterson</b>		
Honoraria/Services (see above)	\$300	\$0
Travel (Mileage from Waterville, ME)	\$60	\$0
Meal (one dinner after talk)	\$0	\$40
<b>Melissa Bergeron</b>		
Honoraria/Services	\$300	\$0
Travel (Mileage from Lincoln, ME)	\$60	\$0
Meal (dinner after talk)	\$0	\$40
<b>Lauren Ashwell</b>		
Honoraria/Services	\$300	\$0
Travel (Mileage from Lewiston, ME)	\$100	\$0
Meals (dinner after talk)	\$0	\$40
<b>Autumn Fiester</b>		
Honoraria/Services	\$0	\$1000
Travel (from Philadelphia, PA)	\$700	\$0
Lodging/Meals (3 Days in Maine)	\$0	\$500

<b>Total Expenses from CA/DLS funds:</b>	<b>\$1820*</b>	<b>\$1820</b>
Total Expenses from other funds:	\$0	\$0


(These two totals should equal the "Total Program Budget" listed above)


\*These amounts should be identical and should not exceed 75% of the total program/event budget – see guidelines for further information. Please note that CA/DLS funds may not be used for receptions and do not normally fund UM employee wages. If an award is granted based on this proposal, reimbursement of expenses will not exceed the total CA/DLS request and will be limited to the types of expenditures outlined above.

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From:  Heidi Carlow 

Subject: Cultural Affairs Award

To:  Jessica Miller

Cc:  Gretchen Faulkner 

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Thanks very much for submitting an application to the September 2014 Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series funding competition. Once again, as we had many excellent proposals asking for a total of over \$23,000 in CADLS support. We had only \$15,000 to award, so were unable to fund some proposals for their full amount requested. We wish we had more funds for all of the great events brought forward to the Committee.

In its meeting on October 8th, the CADLS Committee awarded \$1,420.00 for your project. This amount reflects the deduction of \$400 for the event that will be taking place today. Please be sure that whenever is possible, applications are placed in a round that would be awarded in advance of your events beginning.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you.

Heidi Carlow  
Administrative and Fiscal Coordinator/Scheduler  
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## Philosophy 2014-2015 Colloquium Series

Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00pm  
Hill Auditorium, Barrows Hall

Visiting Scholar  
Autumn Fiester, PhD.

Director of Education and Faculty in the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy, and Director of the Penn Clinical Ethics Mediation Program, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

### "Sperm And Oocyte Cryopreservation: Comprehensive Consent And The Protection Of Patient Autonomy"

Sperm cryopreservation, and increasingly oocyte cryopreservation, are common forms of fertility preservation for oncology patients facing gonadotoxic therapy. Both procedures present challenging ethical issues with regard to informed consent, given that the context for these procedures is a disease that carries a significant risk of mortality. I argue that the current consent process does not allow for adequate collection of information about a patient's wishes for the custody of cryopreserved gametes in the case of premature death. I propose a new comprehensive consent procedure for sperm and oocyte cryopreservation including a 'roll-down' option to protect the autonomy of these oncology patients. I also demonstrate that objections over non-spousal custody of gametes can be overcome with sound ethical arguments.

All programs in the 2014-2015 Philosophy Colloquium are free and open to the University of Maine community and the public. For more information, contact Jessica Miller, Chair, Department of Philosophy, University of Maine, Orono, Maine 04469, Phone: 581-3865 or email: [jessica.miller@umit.maine.edu](mailto:jessica.miller@umit.maine.edu).

*This event is sponsored by the University of Maine's Department of Philosophy and is supported in part by a grant from the Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series.*

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Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Grant Report Form

Applicant Organization: Department of Philosophy

Contact Name: Jessica Miller, Chair

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Funds were awarded for the 2014-2015 Philosophy Department Colloquium Series. This grant supported the Distinguished Visiting Scholar, Autumn Fiester, who was in residence from April 23-25, 2015.

Dr. Fiester is the Director of Education and faculty in the Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. She is the Director of the Penn Clinical Ethics Mediation Program. She is a consultant and mediator for the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania Ethics Service, and she conducts workshops in mediation around the country.

Dr. Fiester's talks provided opportunities for students, faculty, and community members to hear and discuss stimulating lectures on topics that are relevant not only to philosophers but to anyone interested in current topics of ethical, social, and political import.

Please see attached flyer for additional details about the lecture that the grant helped to fund.

1. 4/22/15 Dr. Fiester met with students in the Capstone. PHI 475, to discuss bioethical issues on which they are working. This was a very special opportunity for philosophy undergraduates to meet with one the leading national bioethicists.
2. 4/23/15 9:00-10:00am "The Difficult Patient Reconceived", Mason Auditorium, Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor.

About 50 medical professionals and several UMaine students attended this event. This was an excellent opportunity to promote good relations between the University of Maine and EMMC.

3. "Sperm And Oocyte Cryopreservation: Comprehensive Consent And The Protection Of Patient Autonomy" 4/23/15, 4:00pm. Hill Auditorium, Barrows Hall

About 50 people attended this event. Professor Fiester's talk was very well attended by students and faculty across campus, by pre-med students and those interested in bioethics from across the disciplines. It also drew a number of health professionals from the local area.

4. "Informal Q and A for Health Professions Students", 4/23/15, 6:00pm, Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Dr. Fiester also met with about ten health professions students for one hour after the talk. She also gave two presentations to medical professionals groups in Bangor during her stay.

These events were each promoted via email, First Class announcements, the Department of Philosophy Facebook page, the UMaine campus calendar, the *Bangor Daily News*, and announcements in classrooms.