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CULTURAL AFFAIRS/DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES

GRANT APPLICATION

I. Applicant/Organization: Department of Philosophy

II. a. Responsible Organization Officer: Douglas Allen

b. Title: Professor of Philosophy

c. Campus Address (include Email and Telephone): The Maples douglas.allen@umit.maine.edu 581-3860

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 2013-2014 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. Several of the scholars are willing to spend more time at UMaine interacting with students and others in addition to their colloquium program. Speakers include Professor Fred Dallmayr, one of the outstanding philosophers in the world, as well as several other scholars of highest international and national status and several outstanding Maine philosophers. The topics reflect our department's commitment to diversity and to raising philosophical issues of the greatest relevance for members of our university community, Maine citizens, and the contemporary world. Topics relate to the core themes of our department's curriculum as well as contemporary issues of ethical, political, social, and philosophical significance.

- 1) "Pedagogy With/In the Disaster: Thinking with Heidegger and Blanchot" October 24, 2013
Nico Jenkins, Professor of Philosophy, Husson College, and Honors College, UMaine
- 2) "Precarious Life: Butler and Foucault on Biopolitics" November 14, 2013
Jana Sawicki, Professor of Philosophy, Williams College
- 3) "An Alternative Paradigm for Ethics," January 2014
J. Gray Cox, Professor of Philosophy, The College of the Atlantic
- 4) "Mahatma Gandhi's Philosophical Interpretation of Value" February 2014
Douglas Allen, Professor of Philosophy, The University of Maine
- 5) "Do the Social Sciences Bear on Either the Truth or Falsity of Religious Belief?
William James and Sigmund Freud" March 2014
Robert Segal, Professor of Religious Studies, The University of Aberdeen
- 6) "Taming Leviathan: Toward a Global Alliance for Peace" April 2014
Fred Dallmayr, Professor of Philosophy and Political Science, The University of Notre Dame

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.

Douglas Allen 9/26/2013

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION VIA EMAIL TO: alisha.lukas@maine.edu

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

Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Grant Report

2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series Final Report

Applicant Organization: Philosophy Department

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The Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Grant Application for funding for the 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series was submitted on September 26, 2013. The 6 speakers listed on the application form all came to UMaine during 2013-2014, and they delivered the colloquium lectures listed on the application. In addition to the 6 colloquium lectures, speakers delivered 3 other lectures and agreed to meet with students for several other offerings. The CA/DLS fund provided the requested \$1,868.00, and this was spent on four of the speakers. \$2,115.12 was provided from other funds (the Department's Visiting Scholar funds and Student Government funds). All of the lecture programs were free and open to the entire university community and the public.

Summary of Programs and Attendance

Event 1: Nico Jenkins, Professor of Philosophy, Husson College, and Preceptor, Honors College, UMaine

"Pedagogy With/In the Disaster: Thinking with Heidegger and Blanchot"

October 24, 2013

Levinson Room, The Maples

Attendance: 60. The packed room included many students from the Honors program and students who had previously taken Philosophy with Nico Jenkins. The lecture was followed by a very lively question and discussion session, which then led to an informal discussion gathering at the Bears Den with faculty and students.

Note: The grant application included an Honorarium of \$150. However, Nico Jenkins was not eligible for an honorarium since he is a Temporary Salaried Employee.

Instead, the \$150 was paid from his own salary, using the Non-Faculty Temporary accounting numbers (5360100 51012-00) and was not included in the \$1,868.00 grant or the additional \$2,115.12 provided from other funds.

Event 2: Jana Sawicki, Professor of Philosophy, Williams College

"Precarious Life: Butler and Foucault on Biopolitics"

November 14, 2013

Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Attendance: 65. This well-attended lecture was followed by a very lively question and discussion period. Professor Sawicki agreed to do two days of programs and personal interactions with students and faculty. The most active students from the student Philosophy Club communicated with her, read and discussed several of her

publications in late October and early November, and then met with her on Nov. 15 for a very rewarding session. The Philosophy Club students submitted a funding proposal to Student Government and received \$500 for Jana Sawicki's honorarium.

Event 3: J. Gray Cox, Professor of Philosophy, The College of the Atlantic
"An Alternative Paradigm for Ethics"

January 23, 2014

Levinson Room, The Maples

Attendance: 45-50. This topic attracted a large attendance and a very lively discussion period with many challenging questions. Prof. Cox also delivered a second public lecture, held in the Bangor Room on Jan. 23, on "Rogue AI, IBM's 'Smarter Planet', and Other Existential Threats from Artificial Intelligence" that was attended by 10-15 people.

Event 4: Douglas Allen, Professor of Philosophy, The University of Maine
"Mahatma Gandhi's Philosophical Interpretation of Value"

February 13, 2014

Levinson Room, The Maples

Attendance: 40. The lecture presentation was followed by many good questions and a productive discussion.

Event 5: Robert Segal, Professor of Religious Studies, The University of Aberdeen, U.K.

"Do the Social Sciences Bear on Either the Truth or Falsity of Religious Belief?"

William James and Sigmund Freud"

April 3, 2014

Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Attendance: 30-35

Prof. Segal also delivered a second public lecture, held in the Bangor Room on April 3, on "Engels's Incoherent Theory of Religion" that was attended by 30 people.

Event 6: Fred Dallmayr, Professor of Philosophy and Political Science, The University of Notre Dame

"Taming Leviathan: Toward a Global Alliance for Peace"

April 10, 2014

Bangor Room, Memorial Union

Attendance: 30

Prof. Dallmayr was the 2014 Distinguished Visiting Scholar in Philosophy. As such, the Department of Philosophy was able to provide most of the funding for the visit. Prof. Dallmayr, one of the world's leading authorities in several scholarly areas, agreed to come to UMaine for over 3 days, and he was able to enrich the life of the department and the university community. He delivered a second public lecture, held in the Bangor Room on April 9, entitled "The Owners of the World: Chomskyan Reflections," that had 35 people in attendance. The students in the Philosophy Capstone seminar read 5 of Prof. Dallmayr's book chapters and articles, and they

had a very informative capstone class with him during which he answered their prepared questions and shared his analysis.

Promotion

The 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series programs were promoted very intensively through the series and individual event flyers, calendar listings on campus and in the community, email and social media communications, announcements in classes, working with the student Philosophy Club, and newspaper, radio, and other media work. The promotional material contained the following credit, which was stated in the introduction to each of the lectures: "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." The flyers for the series and the individual programs are attached. The thorough promotional efforts were essential for the excellent attendance for a departmental colloquium series.

Concluding Comments

The 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series was remarkably successful. Relatively few departments organize lecture series, and for the Department of Philosophy, a very small department, to organize 6 lecture programs is a remarkable achievement and a great contribution toward enriching the life of our department, our college, the university, and the community. Every one of the 6 lecture programs was very well attended and had lectures that were challenging, significant, and presented at a high level of analysis. Especially noteworthy is the fact that each of the presentations generated so many good questions and such lively discussion so that each program went over the listed end time for the program. The level of attentiveness and engagement shown by our students, faculty, and other community members in attendance impressed all of our speakers. We are grateful for the grant support from the CA/DLS that made the colloquium series possible.

Budget

A final budget is attached. We spent the requested CA/DLS fund of \$1,868.00 on four of the speakers. We provided an additional \$2,115.12 in funding for the 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series. Two of the flyers were provided by Marketing and Communications, and the other flyers were provided by the Department of Philosophy.

2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series Budget

Jana Sawicki

Honorarium	\$100.00
Honorarium	\$500.00 (Paid directly to Jana Sawicki by Student Government check)
Travel	\$404.55

J. Gray Cox

Honorarium	\$200.00
Travel	\$50.00

Robert Segal

Honorarium	\$600.00
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Fred Dallmayr

Honorarium	\$923.29
Travel	\$876.71
Lodging	\$237.00
Meals	\$58.68 (Reimbursement to Douglas Allen)
Meals	\$32.89 (Reimbursement to Douglas Allen)

Total Expenses	\$3,983.12
From CADLS Funds	\$1,868.00
From Other Funds	\$2,115.12

Alisha Lukas at 1-1512.

Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Fund Budget Proposal Form

Applicant/Organization: Department of Philosophy
Responsible Officer: Professor Douglas Allen
Event Title: 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium Series
Event Date: 6 Programs during Fall 2013 and Spring 2014 Semesters

Total Program Budget:	\$4068
Amount Committed by Applicant Organization:	\$1800
Total Amount Requested from Other Funding Sources:	\$400
Please List Sources & Amounts below:	
Philosophy Club (Student Government)	\$400
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Amount Requested from CA/DLS Committee:	\$1868*
Revenues, if any, expected (fees, ticket sales):	\$0

Note: There is no funding requested for Professor Douglas Allen. The trips to UMaine by the other 5 scholars vary widely. As the Philosophy Visiting Scholar, Professor Fred Dallmayr will be flying from South Bend, Indiana and will spend 3 days at UMaine. He will deliver two major lectures on campus, will have his work integrated as part of the Philosophy Capstone seminar, and will spend time interacting with the capstone and other students. Professor Jana Sawicki will be flying from Albany, New York and will spend 2 days at UMaine, delivering a major lecture and meeting and interacting with our students in the Philosophy Club and Philosophy Honors Society. Professor Robert Segal is flying from Aberdeen, Scotland, and his university will pay for his flight to Maine.

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Printing	\$200	\$ _____
Colloquium Series Poster/Flyer and flyers for individual programs		

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Nico Jenkins		
Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$150	\$ _____

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Jana Sawicki		
Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$400	\$ _____
Travel (Albany-Bangor, \$550)	\$150	\$400

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
J. Gray Cox		
Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$200	\$ _____
Travel	\$50	\$ _____
Lodging/Meals	\$50	\$ _____

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Robert Segal		
Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$400	\$ _____
Lodging/Meals	\$50	\$ _____

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used: CADLS Other

Fred Dallmayr

Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$0	\$1000
Travel (South Bend, Bangor, \$518)	\$218	\$300
Lodging/Meals (3 days in Maine)	\$0	\$500

Total Expenses from CA/DLS funds: \$1868*
Total Expenses from other funds: \$2200
(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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Cultural Affairs

3 messages

Alisha Lukas <alisha.lukas1@maine.edu>
To: Douglas_Allen@umit.maine.edu

Tue, Oct 15, 2013 at 8:41 AM

Dear Douglas,

The Cultural Affairs Committee has approved funding for your event, Dept of Philosophy 2013-2014 Colloquium Series, in the amount of \$1,868.00.

A concise summary of one page or less on the event and attendance must be submitted to the Committee, through me, within 60 days from the conclusion of your event, along with an Adjusting Entry, GL backup and corresponding receipts. Receipts submitted after this deadline cannot be reimbursed; if there are unavoidable extenuating circumstances, you must contact me before the deadline to request alternate arrangements. Please also attach copies of promotional material and publicity, including reviews.

Each member of the Cultural Affairs / Distinguished Lecture Series Committee (currently 12 members) shall be entitled to a total of two tickets per committee member, should yours be a ticketed event and should they wish to attend. Those requests will be made through me, to you.

We very much appreciate your ongoing partnership maintaining UMaine brand standards. Please see the following link for branding information for your event's promotional material: <http://umaine.edu/marketingandcommunications/brandstandards/>.

Please contact me with any questions.

Congratulations!

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Douglas Allen <Douglas_Allen@umit.maine.edu>
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Tue, Oct 15, 2013 at 8:49 AM

Dear Alisha Lukas,

Thank you for the official notification. I had spoken with Suzie Gould last Friday, and she had given me the good news. I realize that you sent me the standard form notification, which applies more to one-time events with individual reports as well as those for which there are ticket sales. I submitted the proposal for our 6 program lecture series, starting next week and mainly taking

place during the spring semester. It makes much more sense for me to submit all of the information to the Committee after we've finished the last two programs next April.

With best wishes,

Doug Allen

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Tue, Oct 15, 2013 at 8:51 AM

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Philosophy 2013-2014 Colloquium Series

October 24, 2013, 4:00 p.m.

Levinson Room

The Maples

Speaker:

Nico Jenkins

Title:

**“PEDAGOGY WITH/IN THE DISASTER:
Thinking with Heidegger and Blanchot”**

Nico Jenkins is a lecturer in Philosophy & Ethics at Husson University and a preceptor at the Honors College at the University of Maine. He is currently at work on his dissertation entitled “Echoes of No Thing.” He is a founding editor of *continent* journal. He recently edited a collection of essays entitled *Pedagogies of Disaster* (Punctum Books).

All programs in the 2013-2014 Philosophy Colloquium are free and open to the UMaine community and the public. For more information, contact Professor Doug Allen, Department of Philosophy, UMaine, Orono, Maine 04469, Phone: 581-3860. Email: douglas.allen@umit.maine.edu.

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