

Dr. Peter Antich

Curriculum Vitae

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Areas of Specialization

Phenomenology, 19th and 20th Century Continental Philosophy, Epistemology

Areas of Concentration

Early Modern Philosophy, Kant, Ancient Philosophy, German Idealism, Philosophy of Mind

Academic Appointments

Trinity College, Department of Philosophy, Visiting Assistant Professor	2019-20
Marquette University, Department of Philosophy, Visiting Assistant Professor	2018-9
University of Kentucky, Department of Philosophy, Instructor	Spring 2018

Education

Ph. D. Philosophy University of Kentucky	Fall 2017
<i>Motivation and the Primacy of Perception</i> Eric Sanday (chair), Ronald Bruzina, Daniel Breazeale, Sebastian Luft (external reader)	
M. A. Philosophy University of Kentucky	2015
B. A. Philosophy University of Dallas, Magna cum Laude	2012

Publication

Books

Motivation and the Primacy of Perception: Merleau-Ponty's Phenomenology of Knowledge
Under contract with Ohio University Press.

Articles

"Merleau-Ponty on Hallucination and Perceptual Faith"
Forthcoming in *Phenomenological Studies*.

"Perceptual Experience in Kant and Merleau-Ponty"
Forthcoming in *Journal of the British Society for Phenomenology*.

"Merleau-Ponty's Theory of Concept Formation"
In *History of Philosophy Quarterly*. Volume 35 (2018), Number 3, 279-297.

"Autobiography and the Phenomenology of Personal Identity in Merleau-Ponty"
In *Life Writing*. Volume 15 (2018), Issue 3, 431-445.

Book Chapters

"Autobiography and the Phenomenology of Personal Identity in Merleau-Ponty." In *Philosophy and Life Writing*, edited by D. L. LeMahieu and C. Cowley. Routledge.

Reviews

Review of *The Other in Perception: A Phenomenological Account of Our Experience of Other Persons* by Susan Bredlau
Phenomenological Reviews (March 2019)
<http://reviews.ophen.org/2019/03/21/susan-bredlau-the-other-in-perception-review/>

Review of *Toward a Phenomenology of Addiction* by Frank Schalow
Phenomenological Reviews (March 2018)
<http://reviews.ophen.org/2018/03/22/frank-schalow-toward-a-phenomenology-of-addiction-review/>

Works under Review

“Intentionality and Transcendence in Merleau-Ponty”

“Merleau-Ponty and Epistemological Disjunctivism”

Sample Presentations

“Merleau-Ponty on Attention and Implicit Content” American Philosophical Association, Central Division Meeting	February 2019
“Hallucination and Perceptual Faith” Merleau-Ponty Circle	November 2018
“The Logic of Genesis in Merleau-Ponty’s ‘The Child’s Relations with Others’” Canadian Society for Continental Philosophy	September 2017
“Experience, Judgment, and Motivation” American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division Meeting	April 2017
“Narrative and the Phenomenology of Personal Identity in Merleau-Ponty” International Society for the Study of Narrative	March 2017
“Merleau-Ponty’s Theory of Concept Formation” Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy	October 2016
“Merleau-Ponty on Ideal Knowledge and the Cogito” Toronto Phenomenology Workshop	May 2016
“Plasticity and Institution” Center for Advanced Research in European Philosophy	February 2016
“Différance and the Problem of Genesis in Derrida’s Philosophy” Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy	October 2015
“Fichte on Activity and Being” North Texas Philosophical Association	April 2014

Teaching Activity

PHI 1001 (Marquette): Foundations in Philosophy	Spring 2019, Fall 2018
PHI 2310 (Marquette): Theory of Ethics	Fall 2018
PHI 270 (UK): Early Modern Philosophy	Spring 2018
PHI 350 (UK): Metaphysics & Epistemology	Spring 2018, Fall 2017
PHI 100 (UK): Knowledge & Reality	Fall 2017
PHI 317 (UK): Existentialist Thought & Literature	Fall 2017
PHI 310 (UK): Philosophy of Human Nature	Fall 2015
PHI 130 (UK): Morality & Society	Spring 2015, Fall 2014 Fall 2016, Spring 2016

PHI 120 (UK): Introductory Logic
PHI 120 (UK): Introductory Logic (Online Course)

Spring 2014, Fall 2013
Spring 2018

Graduate Courses Taken

Hegel's <i>Phenomenology of Spirit</i> (grade received: A)	Daniel Breazeale
Heidegger: Being There - Getting There (A)	Ronald Bruzina
Independent Research: Merleau-Ponty's <i>Phenomenology of Perception</i> (A)	Eric Sanday
Reading Marcuse, Reading Hegel, Heidegger, and Marx (A)	Arnold Farr
Platonic Accounts of Life (A)	Eric Sanday
Independent Research: Derrida's Phenomenological Works (A)	Ronald Bruzina
Problems from Kant: On Concepts and Judgments (A)	Brandon Look
Becoming Nietzsche (A)	Daniel Breazeale
Independent Research: Merleau-Ponty's Later Works (A)	Ronald Bruzina
Hegelian Idealism (A)	Stefan Bird-Pollan
Existentialism: Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Heidegger, and Sartre (A)	Daniel Breazeale
Fichte: The Systematic Project of the Jena <i>Wissenschaftslehre</i> (A)	Daniel Breazeale
Platonic Metaphysics - The <i>Parmenides</i> (A)	Eric Sanday
20 th Century Value Theory (A)	Stefan Bird-Pollan
Symbolic Logic (A)	Meg Wallace
19 th Century Philosophy (A)	Daniel Breazeale
Kant's Transcendental Idealism (A)	Stefan Bird-Pollan
Phenomenological Directions (A)	Ronald Bruzina

Awards

Graduate Student Academic Year Fellowship, University of Kentucky	Spring 2017
Graduate Student Fellow for Presentation U!, University of Kentucky	Fall 2016
Graduate Student Essay Prize, University of Kentucky	Spring 2016

Professional Development

Marquette Core Teaching Workshop
Marquette University, Fall 2018

Digital Humanities Seminar
University of Kentucky, Spring 2018

Graduate Student Fellow for Presentation U!
University of Kentucky, Fall 2016

American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Teaching and Learning Seminar
Saginaw Valley State University, July 2016

Service

Mentor	Marquette Shadow Teaching Program for Graduate Students, 2019
Facilitator	UK Philosophy Summer Camp, 2017
Supervisory Participation	First Year Graduate Student Teaching Workshop, Spring 2017
Evaluator	UK Core Student Learning Outcome, 2014-5

Languages

French, Reading Knowledge
German, Reading Knowledge
Ancient Greek, Reading Knowledge

Dissertation Abstract

In my dissertation, entitled “Motivation and the Primacy of Perception,” I provide an interpretation and defense of Merleau-Ponty’s thesis of the primacy of perception, namely, the thesis that all knowledge is founded on perceptual experience. I take as an interpretative and argumentative key Merleau-Ponty’s phenomenological conception of motivation. Whereas epistemology has traditionally accepted a dichotomy between reason and natural causality, I show that this dichotomy is not exhaustive of the forms of epistemic grounding. There is a third type of grounding, the one characteristic of the grounding relations found in perception: motivation. I argue that introducing motivation as a form of epistemic grounding allows Merleau-Ponty to describe the grounding relation between perception and knowledge in terms that move beyond historical and contemporary debates between rationalism and empiricism.

References

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Ronald Bruzina (Emeritus)

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