

October 2021

# ND Philosophy

## Philosopher in Print

This month's 'Philosopher in Print' is graduate student, Joseph Blado. His article, "The Extended-Expert-As-Teacher (EEAT) Model: A Defense of De Cruz", is available in the September issue of *Grazer Philosophische Studien*.



### Abstract

Recently, social epistemologists have sought to establish what the governing epistemic relationship should be between novices and experts. In this article, the author argues for, and expands upon, Helen De Cruz's expert-as-teacher model. For although this model is vulnerable to significant challenges, the author proposes that a specifically extended version can sufficiently overcome these challenges (call this the "extended-expert-as-teacher" model, or the "EEAT" model). First, the author shows the respective weaknesses of three influential models in the literature. Then, he argues the expert-as-teacher model can overcome its weaknesses by adding what he calls the "Authority Clause", "Advisor Clause", and "Ex Post Facto Clause" of the EEAT model. After developing a robust account of these clauses, the author entertains three major objections. First, he responds to the charge that the EEAT model is little better than the expert-as-authority model. Second, he responds to a double-counting objection. Lastly, he responds to a pragmatic objection from complexity.

[Full article found here](#)

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## October

- 01** **History of Philosophy Fall Forum**  
12-1:30 pm  
107 O'Shag
- 03** **Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy Conference**  
October 3-6  
McKenna Hall  
[click here](#) for more information
- 07** **ND Workshop on Ancient Philosophy: William Altman**  
5:15-6:30 pm  
214 O'Shag
- 08** **History of Philosophy Workshop**  
Speaker TBA  
12-1 pm  
437 Geddes
- 29** **Colloquium: Jc Beall**  
Title TBA  
3-5 pm  
126 DeBartolo Hall  
Reception to follow

## Get to know our Philosophers!

### [Nic Teh]

1. What would you sing at Karaoke night? *In the Bleak Midwinter, but only the Harold Darke version.*
2. What did you want to be when you were small? *Ernest Hemingway or Richard Feynman*
3. If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? *Braised chicken feet in black bean sauce.*
4. What's the worst gift you've received? *I can't think of any.*
5. Who would you want to play you in a movie? *Jeremy Irons*

**01 Ahead of the Game -A&L Series Presentation**

2:30-3:30 pm  
129 O'Neill Hall

**02 ND vs. Cincinnati**

2:30 pm

**16 Fall Break**

October 16-24

**18 Midterm grades due**

**23 ND vs. USC**

7:30 pm  
Prof. Sullivan to receive [All-faculty Team Award](#) at half time

**29 Last Day to drop a class**

**30 ND vs. UNC**

7:30 pm

**31 Happy Halloween!**

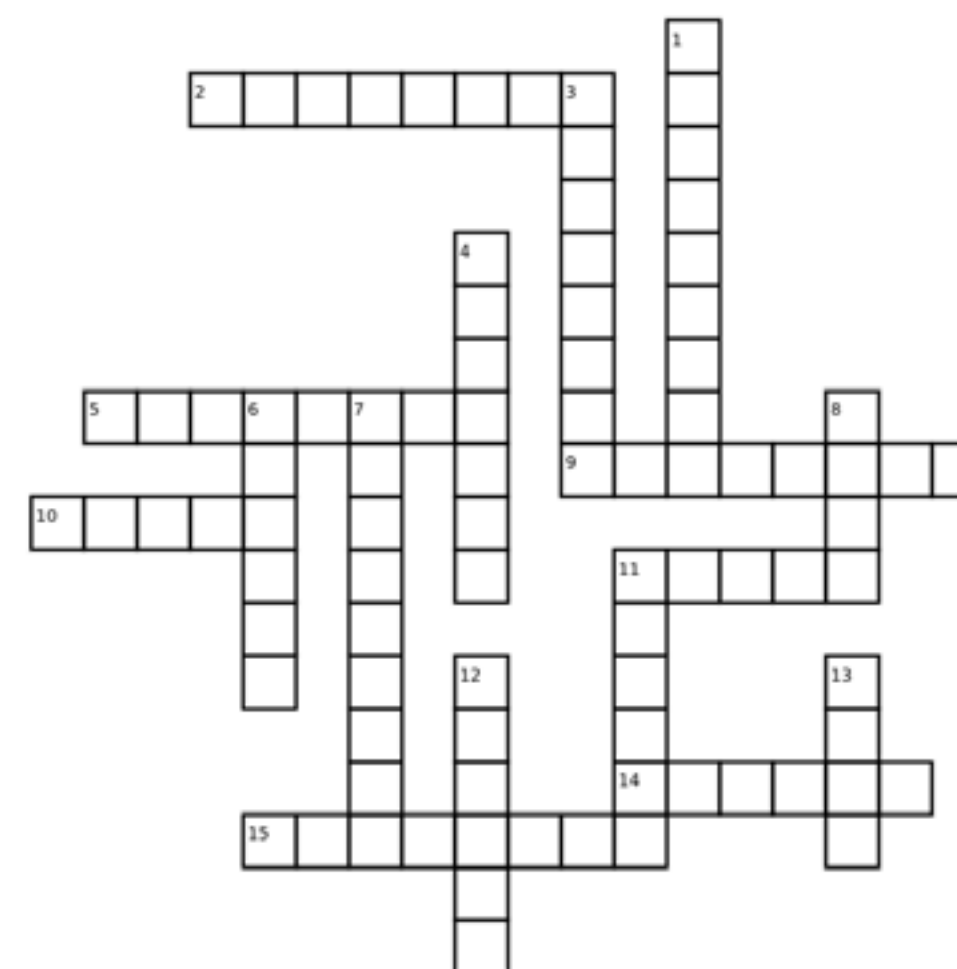
- **Congratulations to Prof. Mike Zhao**  
Mike and his wife Felicia welcomed baby girl Jacqueline on September 8th!
- **New Philosophy T-Shirt!**  
Help us decide on a new t-shirt design by voting [here!](#) Voting will end Friday, October 8th.
- **Mic Detlefsen Memorial Library**  
Our former colleague Mic Detlefsen passed away in the fall of 2019. After Mic's death, his wife Martha donated his substantial collection of books on logic and the philosophy of mathematics (as well as some general philosophy books) to our department. These books are now located in the philosophy office (100 Malloy) and the library/lounge (119 Malloy). You are welcome to borrow any of the books, just as long as you fill out a slip and return them eventually!
- **Prof. Meghan Sullivan Wins Joyce Award**  
The Joyce Awards honor faculty members who have had a profound influence on undergraduate students through sustained exemplary teaching, and, in particular, recognize professors who create environments that stimulate significant student learning, elevate students to a new level of intellectual engagement and foster students' ability to express themselves effectively within their disciplines.
- **Halloween Balloon Debate**  
October 28 or 29th, Notre Dame Philosophy will host its First Annual Balloon Debate. The premise of a balloon debate is simple: Four individuals are in a hot air balloon above the Pacific Ocean. Ominously, the balloon is losing altitude. Unless at three individuals leap out, it will not reach land, and everyone will die. The four individuals are all philosophers from different time periods. They therefore resolve to have a debate concerning whose contributions were most historically important; the winner rides the balloon back to sweet, sweet land. The rest take their chances with the sharks.  
  
Any student will be eligible to participate; you only need to choose a philosopher and be willing to argue on his or her behalf. In keeping with the Halloween setting, you are encouraged but not required to dress up as that person. If you are interested, we will send out a Google Form soon.
- **Grad Appreciation Week!**  
October 4-10 is the 2021 Graduate Student Appreciation Week. We will be having a Kona Shaved Ice truck coming on Tuesday for our graduate students. Be on the lookout for an email Christine will send you that contains your "ticket" for getting your cone. Other activities throughout the week are found [here](#).
- **The Hurricane Notebook Symposiums**  
This month, Alexander Jech's (or is it Elizabeth M's?) The Hurricane Notebook is the subject of a Symposium at Syndicate (<https://syndicate.network/symposia/philosophy/the-hurricane-notebook/>). Each Monday a new commentary and response by Prof. Jech will be published. Panelist include:  
  
Megan Fritts ("Philosophical Gothic: Form and Genres of The Hurricane Notebook")  
Sr. Ann Astell ("Mirrors of Freedom, Fatherhood, and Faith in The Hurricane Notebook")  
John Davenport ("Mutual Destruction or Malificent's Kiss?")  
Aaron Simmons ("Why We Write (and Why It Matters that We Do)")  
Sylvia Wilczewska ("In Praise of Open Endings")  
  
In contrast to the Good Life Method, Elizabeth M. pursues the Despair Method. If that sounds too depressing, well, cheer up, there's surfing. Maybe. Check it out!
- **Undergrad and Grad Students!**  
Want to tell the world why you love our department? Drop Christine a short video (we're talking just a couple seconds) on why you do! She is collecting them to make into a Reel.
- **Love Memes?**  
Interested in creating funny philosophy memes for our social media pages? Contact [Christine!](#) And be sure to follow us on social media!

Do you have any suggestions for our newsletter or have news that you want featured? Fill out [this form](#) to tell us!

[events.nd.edu](#) for full list

## PHILOSOPHY CROSSWORD

By Paolo Mazzara '23



**Down:**

1. Our "grand" Graduate Studies Coordinator (first name).
3. The Sheikh al-Ra'is famous for his medical cures and his philosophical ones (Latinized).
4. "This one" graduate student is a fan of Duns Scotus (hint: his last name means "From Mantua").
6. The Benedictine monk known for his Ontological Argument.
7. Argued for the Incoherence of the Philosophers.
8. O'Callaghan the Thomist (first name).
11. This Franciscan Friar is known for his sharp razor.
12. The Notre Dame Scotist "of the mountain."
13. The Philosophy department's favorite couple united in Thomism (last name).

**Across:**

2. The Scotus who was stabbed to death by his students.
5. This Baghdad Peripatetic is known as "The Second Teacher."
9. The Andalusian polymath and jurist known also as The Commentator (Latinized).
10. "This one" Notre Dame Scotist (hint: the word is Across).
11. Both his beard and specialty put him in the company of Ibn Sina and Ibn Rushd.
14. "The Great" Dominican friar (English first name).
15. The bridge (pons) that students of Logic must cross (in Latin).

## Meme of the Month



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