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Philosopher in Print

This month's 'Philosopher in Print' is Professor Laura Callahan. Her paper titled, "(Joint) Achievements and the Value Problem", is in the latest issue of *Synthese*



Abstract

In *The Transmission of Knowledge* (2021), Greco departs significantly from his earlier view of all knowledge as an individual achievement of the knower, allowing that in some testimonial knowledge cases (cases of "transmission"), a hearer's believing truly will be due to competent joint agency, between herself and the speaker. Greco argues that the new, hybrid view of knowledge as individual or joint achievement is still sufficiently unified and – importantly – still provides a satisfying answer to the value problem for knowledge. I will raise some worries for this latter claim. I begin by raising worries about Greco's earlier answer to the value problem: that knowledge is distinctively valuable as an (individual's) achievement. I then argue that these worries are not allayed by expanding the account of knowledge to include joint achievements and indeed are perhaps aggravated by this new move.

[Full paper here](#)

March

- 02 Tea Time for Faculty and Grad Students**
Malloy Alcove
4 pm
- 23 MAP Talk: Lea Aurelia Schroeder (Purdue)**
"Plato on Perceiving Ordinary Objects"
6-7 pm
320 Malloy
- 24 CPR Talk: Heather Widdows (Warwick)**
"Lookism, Discrimination and Shame"
3-5 pm
131 DeBartolo Hall
Reception to follow in Malloy
- 27 Grad Student Colloquium: Spencer Smith**
6-8 pm
220 Malloy Hall
- 30 Tea Time for Faculty and Grad Students**
Malloy Alcove
4 pm
- 31 CPR Colloquium: Kant's Moral Vision as Affirmative Religion**
March 31-April 1
8 am-7 pm
W210 Duncan Student Center
[More info here](#)

Get to know our Philosophers!

[Joel David Hamkins]

1. Where is the coolest place you have traveled? *I stayed at a ryokan inn in Miyajima, Japan, where the emperor once stayed. The rooms had tatami mats and sliding wood panels that opened to elegant gardens with moss-covered rocks, while the kimono-clad servants served green tea. At one point, however, I made a shoe gaffe. One is supposed to remove shoes at various boundaries, entering from stone to wood and tatami, and slippers were provided. At one such point, I found colorful fancy sandals laid out, so I removed my shoes and slipped into them. But it turned out, those particular slippers were intended for the kimono-clad servants to use, which I learned as one started immediately giggling (with covered mouth) as she stared at my feet walking by...*
2. What did you want to be when you were small? *When I was a boy, I wanted to be a mathematician*
3. If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? *One meal for the rest of my life: full English breakfast*
4. What is your useless talent? *I know how to roll a newspaper up tight, for delivery, so that one can toss it from the sidewalk to the front porch, without it unrolling. (And as a teenager I did this hundreds of times on my daily route...)*
5. Who would you want to play you in a movie? *an artificial intelligence from the future, with the capacity to express a sublime pure distillation of reason.*

08 Happy International Women's Day!

• **Grad Recruitment Week!**
The prospective visit for the admitted graduate students for fall 2023 will be March 27-29.

11 Spring Break
March 11-19

• **Undergrad Mentorship Program!**
Undergrads: If you would like a grad student mentor, please sign up [here](#).
Grads: if you would like to be a mentor to an undergrad, please sign up [here](#).

17 Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

• **Buttons!**
We have new buttons for your backpacks! Stop by Malloy 100 to pick yours up!



24 Last Day to Drop a Course

• **Mental Health Topic of the Month: Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD)**

Explore the mental health board in the philosophy kitchen for this month's theme as well as [these ways](#) to boost your mood!

• **Philosophical Madness!**
In addition to our regular March Madness group on ESPN ([sign up here for men's](#) and [here for women's](#)), we are also doing a bracket to crown the ultimate philosopher! Round 1 can be [found here](#). Check your emails for the rest of the rounds.

• **Grad Superlatives**
If you have any ideas for a superlative, let Christine know!

• **Poster Campaign voting**
Vote for your favorite poster design that we will be using around campus. Vote for your favorite THREE designs [here](#).

• **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.

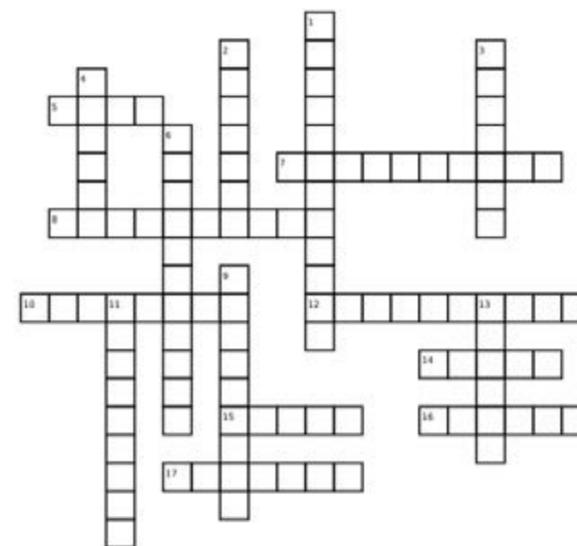
• **Love Memes?**
Interested in creating funny philosophy memes for our social media pages? Contact [Christine](#)! And be sure to follow us on social media!

events.nd.edu for full list

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

PHILOSOPHY CROSSWORD

By Paolo Mazzara '23



Down:

1. Ends his logical tractate in silence.
2. One of our own who studied philosophy in Navarra.
3. One of our own who plays the saxophone 'daily'.
4. The martyr saint who praised ancient greek philosophers.
6. Medieval Philosopher who wrote about his journey into the mind of God.
9. Greek God of healing invoked by Socrates in the Phaedo.
11. Statement that is true by definition.
13. One of our own who is a local kombucha lover.

Across:

5. Early modern who used billiards to discuss causation and inductive reasoning.
7. The Pseudo-Denys.
8. Pre-socratic who made Nous the ruler of all things.
10. 3rd century Platonic philosopher who wrote the 'Niners' six times.
12. Platonist who wrote on the rites of the Egyptians.
14. Medieval philosopher and poet who journeyed through the Inferno
15. One of our own who came to Notre Dame to find the meaning of 42.
16. Our very own drummer who never 'drops' his sticks.
17. Medieval theologian who likened his works to straw.

Meme of the Month



[GRAD CFP'S](#)

[UNDERGRAD CFP'S](#)

