DAY 1 // THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013

5:00 – 7:00 PM  MB Lounge: wine reception

7:00 PM  Dinner at Three Ravens Restaurant (Banff Centre)

DAY 2 // FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013

7:00 – 8:45 AM  Breakfast at Vistas Café (buffet)

9:00 – 10:00 AM  PLENARY: KELLY OLIVER (VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY)

HOLLYWOOD’S FERTILE IMAGINATION: RACE, SEX, AND ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

Moderator: Fanny Söderbäck (Siena College)

10:15 – 11:45 AM  A Feminist Biographies: Kristeva’s Genius Trilogy

MB 251  B How to Live MB 252  C Ancient Greek Perspectives MB 253

12:00 – 1:00 PM  Lunch at Vistas Café (buffet)

1:15 – 2:45 PM  A Ecofeminisms MB 251  B Postcolonial Perspectives

MB 252  C Animal Life MB 253

2:45 – 3:15 PM  MB Central Foyer: refreshment break

3:15 – 4:45 PM  A Narrating Lives MB 251  B Fertility MB 252

C Health MB 253

5:00 – 6:30 PM  ANIMAL DESIRES: A CONVERSATION BETWEEN

CYNTHIA WILLET (EMORY UNIVERSITY) AND

HASANA SHARP (MCGILL UNIVERSITY)

Moderator: Kyoo Lee (CUNY, John Jay College)

7:00 PM  Dinner in Banff at Nourish (Vegetarian Restaurant)
DAY 3 // SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013

7:00 – 8:45 AM
Breakfast at Vistas Café (buffet)

9:00 – 10:00 AM
PLENARY: MARY RAWLINSON (SUNY STONY BROOK)
The Right to Life: Refiguring Ethics
Moderator: Noëlle McAfee (Emory University)

10:15 – 12:00 PM
A Bios, Biopower, and Bioethics: Critical Disability Theory Perspectives MB 251
B Simone de Beauvoir MB 252
C From Biopower to the Beautiful Life: Foucauldian Perspectives MB 253

12:00 – 1:00 PM
Lunch at Vistas Café (buffet)

1:15 – 2:45 PM
A The Affective Life MB 251
B Sexual Reproduction, Sexual Difference, Intersex MB 252
C Feminist Perspectives on the Stages of Life MB 253

2:45 – 3:15 PM
MB Central Foyer: refreshment break

3:15 – 4:45 PM
A Rereading ‘The Meaning of Life’ MB 251
B Posthumanisms MB 252
C Hegel on Life and Death MB 253

5:00 – 6:30 PM
PLENARY: LYNNE HUFFER (EMORY UNIVERSITY)
Life Itself: Foucault, Ethics, and the Return to Nature in Feminist Philosophy
Respondent: Jana Sawicki (Williams College)
Moderator: Cressida Heyes (University of Alberta)

7:00 PM
Dinner in Banff at The Balkan (Greek Restaurant)
DAY 4 // SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2013

7:00 – 8:45 AM  Breakfast at Vistas Café (buffet)

9:00 – 10:00 AM  PLENARY PANEL: ELAINE MILLER (MIAMI UNIVERSITY)
                  CARE OF LIFE AND ORESTIAN REVOLT: JULIA KRISTEVA
                  ON TRAGEDY, CINEMA, AND THE “THOUGHT SPECULAR”
                  + NOËLLE MCAFEE (EMORY UNIVERSITY)
                  BETWEEN THE COUCH AND THE POLIS: BECOMING A
                  WHO IN ARENDT AND KRISTEVA
                  Moderator: Kelly Oliver (Vanderbilt University)

10:30 – 12:00 PM  LIVED EXPERIENCE: A CONVERSATION BETWEEN
                   JOHANNA OKSALA (UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI) AND
                   CRESSIDA HEYES (UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA)
                   Moderator: Lynne Huffer (Emory University)

2:00 PM  Meet in lobby for Excursion in the Rocky Mountains
**DAY 2 // FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013**

### 10:15 – 11:45 AM

**A) FEMINIST BIOGRAPHIES: KRISTEVA’S GENIUS TRIOLOGY MB 251**

Moderator: Elaine Miller (Miami University)

- **Mark Berardi** // University of Memphis // Jealousy and Biography in the Recent Works of Kristeva
- **Marygrace Hemme** // University of Memphis // Feminine Genius and the Importance of Re-narrating Lives
- **Sarah Marshall** // University of Memphis // The Rebirth of Zoë: Ingenious Biography and the Future of the Polis

### 12:00 – 1:00 PM

**Lunch**

### 1:15 – 2:45 PM

**A) ECOFEMINISMS MB 251**

Moderator: Susan Ruddick (University of Toronto)

- **Namita Goswami** // Indiana State University // Earth Democracy and the Global Subject: The Commonplace Philosophy of Theodor Adorno and Vandana Shiva
- **Jennifer Scurio** // University of New Rochelle // Ursprung: Reading for the Root
- **Kyoo Lee** // John Jay College, CUNY // Vaginal Meditations: Earthly Musings around “the Dark Female Animal” in Daodejing
DAY 2 // FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2013

1:15 – 2:45 PM

B) POSTCOLONIAL PERSPECTIVES MB 252
Moderator: Rachel Loewen-Walker (University of Alberta)

MARY BUTTERFIELD // Vanderbilt University // Terra Nullius and Epistemic Injustice
STEPHANIE CLARE // Oxford University // Rereading Fanon: Life, Land, and Sexual Difference
SUSHMITA CHATTERJEE // Appalachian State University // Feminist Transnationalism and the Politics of Friendship

2:45 – 3:15 PM
Refreshments

3:15 – 4:45 PM

C) ANIMAL LIFE MB 253 Moderator: Cynthia Willett (Emory University)

JESSICA POLISH // Vanderbilt University // Domestication and Living Beings in Kant
KATHARINE LOEY // Pacific University // Whose Violence is Violence?: Levinas’s Animal Metaphors
CYNTHIA D. COE // Central Washington University // On Forgetting: Moral Intuitions about Humans and Animals

5:00 – 6:30 PM
ANIMAL DESIRES WITH CYNTHIA WILLETT & HASANA SHARP MB 232

7:00 PM
Dinner

A) NARRATING LIVES MB 251 Moderator: Emma Kennedy (University of Alberta)

JANE BARTER // University of Winnipeg // Beyond Bare Life: Narrations of Singularity by Families of Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women
STEPHANIE RODGERS // Emory University // Auto-Biography and Anomaly: The Stories We Tell Ourselves
CIGDEM YAZICI // Koc University // Writing the Body as a Way of Life

B) FERTILITY MB 252 Moderator: Mary Rawlinson (SUNY Stony Brook)

JILL DROUILLARD // Université de Paris-Sorbonne IV // Infinitely Fertile: An Ontological Study of Why Female Dasein Has Reason to Support the End of Menopause
FANNY SÖDERBÄCK // Siena College // Across National and Bodily Boundaries: The Lived Experience of Surrogacy Motherhood

C) HEALTH MB 253 Moderator: Bianca Knull (University of Alberta)

ALISSA OVEREND // Grant MacEwan University // The Making of Undefined Illness: Candida, Biomedicine and the Empirics of Pathological Anatomy
ELA PRZYBYLO // York University // Sex and Health, The Sacral Touch: A Biopolitical Elaboration of Sex-for-Health
SARA RODRIGUES // York University // A Woman’s ‘Right to Know’: Forced Ultrasound Measures as an Intervention of Biopower
### A) BIOS, BIOPOWER, AND BIOETHICS: CRITICAL DISABILITY THEORY PERSPECTIVES

**MB 251** Moderator: Catherine Clune-Taylor (University of Alberta)

**JOSH DOHMEM**
- University of Memphis
- The Bios that Binds Us: Care Ethics and Psychoanalytic Perspectives on Disability

**STEPHANIE JENKINS**
- Oregon State University
- Defining Morally Considerable Life: Towards a Feminist Disability Ethics

**JOSHUA ST. PIERRE**
- University of Alberta
- The Performance of Reason: Speech and Intellectual Disability in Bioethical Discourse

### B) SIMONE DE BEAUVIOR

**MB 252** Moderator: Brittne Tink (University of Alberta)

**ELISABETH PAQUETTE**
- York University
- On Flesh and Touching in The Second Sex

**CHRISTINE DAIGLE**
- Brock University
- Beauvoir and the Question of Meaning: Literature and Philosophy as Human Engagement in the World

**DAVID ALEXANDER CRAIG**
- University of Oregon
- Irigaray and Beauvoir on the Animalization of Woman

**KELLY BALL**
- Emory University
- No Longer/Not Yet: Beauvoir and the Asymmetries of Girlhood

### C) FROM BIOPOWER TO THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE: FOUCAULDIAN PERSPECTIVES

**MB 253** Moderator: Johanna Oksala (University of Helsinki)

**NATALIE CISNEROS**
- Allegheny College
- The Deathly Alien: Biopower and Immigrant Detainment

**SARAH HANSEN**
- Drexel University
- Meanings of Life: Feminist Resources in the Work of Foucault and Agamben

**ALICE EVERLY**
- University of Memphis
- Foucault and the Moral Value of Biological Life

**MEGAN DEAN**
- University of King’s College
- Nourishing a Beautiful Life: Ethics, Vegetarianism, and Disordered Eating

### A) THE AFFECTIVE LIFE

**MB 251** Moderator: Alexis Shotwell (Carleton University)

**AMANDA HOLMES**
- Villanova University
- The Politics of Guilt in Aristotle, Hegel, and Butler

**KAREN ROBERTSON**
- University of Guelph
- Affective Extremes and Social Mediation: Heidegger, Hochschild and Affective Life

**LAUREN GUILMETTE**
- Emory University
- In What We Tend to Feel is Without History”—Foucault, Affect, Ethics
DAY 3 // SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013

1:15 – 2:45 PM

B) SEXUAL REPRODUCTION, SEXUAL DIFFERENCE, INTERSEX MB 252
Moderator: Jennifer Scuro (University of New Rochelle)

EMANUELA BIANCHI // New York University // The Feminine Symptom and the Critique of the Aristotelian Organism

STEPHEN SEELY // Rutgers University // Does Life Have (a) Sex? Rethinking Sexual Difference with Irigaray and Simondon

CATHERINE CLUNE-TAYLOR // University of Alberta // Disordering Sex Development: Feminists, Adaptationism and Normal Function

2:45 – 3:15 PM

Refreshments

3:15 – 4:45 PM

A) REREADING ‘THE MEANING OF LIFE’ MB 251
Moderator: Katja Pettinen (Mount Royal University)

ADA JAARSMA // Mount Royal University // Kierkegaard, Arendt and the Meaning of Life

EMILY ANNE PARKER // Santa Clara University // Ambiguity and the Absurd: On Beauvoir’s Response to Camus’ Absurd Hero

KRISTIN RODIER // University of Alberta // Happy Killjoys?: Ahmed and Aristotle on Feminism and Happiness

B) POSTHUMANISMS MB 252 Moderator: Hasana Sharp (McGill University)

ASTRIDA NEIMANIS // Independent Scholar // Archiving Liquid Life: Biobanking and the Untimeliness of Bodily Waters

SUSAN RUDDICK // University of Toronto // Singular Things: Macherey’s Spinoza and the Problem of Composition in a Post-Human World

THOMAS BRETZ // Loyola University // Empathy without Pathos? On the Possibility of Empathy without Limits
DAY 3 // SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2013

3:15 – 4:45 PM
C) HEgel ON LIFE AND DEATH MB 253
Moderator: Florentien Verhage (Washington and Lee University)

KAREN NG
// Siena College // Life and Spirit: Hegel’s Feminist Modernism

SABRINA L. HOM
// Georgia College and State University // “Wed Him to the Bosom of the Earth”: Hegel, Assisted Suicide and the Virtues of Care

YASEMIN SARI
// University of Alberta // Hegel’s Antigone: Death as an Overcoming of the Self

5:00 – 6:30PM
PLENARY WITH LYNNE HUFFER MB 252

7:00 PM
Dinner

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