**CHRISTINA CONROY**

**Curriculum Vitae**

**Morehead State University**

Department of History, Philosophy, Politics, International Studies, & Legal Studies

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**Areas of Specialization:** Metaphysics, Metaphysics of Science,

Metaphysics of Quantum Mechanics

**Areas of Competence:** Philosophy of Science, Logic, Epistemology, Philosophy of the Arts

**Employment**

**Associate Professor of Philosophy**: *Tenure granted Spring 2016*.

Morehead State University, 2010-present.

Department of History, Philosophy, Politics, International Studies, & Legal Studies

**First Year Seminar Faculty Coordinator**

Morehead State University, January 2017-present.

**Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Logic and Philosophy of Science**

University of California, Irvine, 2006-2010.

**Graduate Teaching Assistant, School of Social Sciences**

University of California, Irvine, 2004-2010.

**Education**

**PhD in Philosophy,** University of California, Irvine; Department of Logic and Philosophy of

Science, 2010.

**Dissertation:** *A Relative Facts Interpretation of Everettian Quantum Mechanics*.

**Committee:** Jeffrey Barrett (co-chair), Sven Bernecker (co-chair), Jeremy Heis

**MA in Philosophy,**  University of California, Irvine; Department of Logic and Philosophy of

Science, 2006.

**BA in Philosophy,** City University of New York, Hunter College, 2004.

Graduated ***Summa cum Laude*** and with **Honors** in Philosophy; Minor in Mathematics

**Research**

**Publications**

Forthcoming. “Off-Belay: The Morality of Free-soloing” (with Dr. Gina Blunt Gonzalez,

 Associate Professor of Exercise Science, Morehead State University) *Sports, Ethics & Philosophy: Journal of the British Philosophy of Sport Association.*

2016. “Branch-Relative Identity”. In *Individuals Across the Sciences*. Edited by Alexandre Guay

and Thomas Pradeu. Oxford University Press: New York. Chapter 13.

2016. “Everettian Interpretations of Quantum Mechanics” *The Internet Encyclopedia of*

*Philosophy*.

2012. “The Relative Facts Interpretation and Everett’s *note added in proof”.* *Studies in History*

*and Philosophy of Modern Physics*” *43*: 112-120.

2011. “On Lim On Kim”. *Southwest Philosophy Review 27*, 2: 19-22.

Comments on 2011. Lim, Daniel. “Exclusion, Overdetermination, and Vacuity”. *Southwest Philosophy Review 27*, 1: 57-64.

2008. “No Lacuna and No Vicious Regress: A Reply to LePoidevin”. *Acta Analytica* 23, 4: 367-

72.

**Under Review**

“Everettian Actualism” *Studies in the History and Philosophy of Modern Physics*. Resubmitted

14 August 2017.

**Book Review**

Review of M. Sheets-Johnstone (Ed.) *The Phenomenology of Dance: Fiftieth Anniversary*

*Edition* (2015, Temple University Press), *Sport, Ethics and Philosophy*, 10, 200-203.

**Work in Progress**

“Deviant Dependence and Entanglement”

“In Defense of Structural Equation Models for Grounding”

“A Continuing Study of Ethics in Rock Climbing” with Gina Blunt Gonzalez

“Metaphysical Coherentism” with Donnchadh O’Conaill and Tuomas Tahko

**Presentations**

**Presentations Related to Metaphysics**

“Everettian Actualism”

June 2017 SILFS 2017 - *Triennial International Conference of the Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science*, Bologna, Italy.

September 2016 *2nd Annual Meeting of the Society for the Metaphysics of Science*, Geneva, Switzerland. (Titled then “Everettian Actualism”).

December 2015 *Metasciences: New Trends in the Metaphysics of Sciences* conference, Paris, France. (Titled then “Everett Without Realism”).

 “Relations as Grounds: Grounding Properties in Everettian Quantum Mechanics.”

September 2016 *Grounding the Quantum World* workshop Neuchâtel, Switzerland.

 “Physics and Metaphysics”

September 2015 Invited talk. City University of New York, Hunter College. New York, NY.

 “Bridging the Gap Between Metaphysics and Quantum Mechanics.”

August 2013 Presentation to the Morehead State University chapter of the American Association of University Women.

“‘Branch-Relative Identity’ in Everettian Quantum Mechanics.”

August 2013 *12th International Conference on Persons*, Lund, Sweden.

March 2013 *The Fifth Workshop in Philosophy of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics*, Indiana University – Purdue University Fort Wayne, IN.

May 2012 *Individuals Across Sciences Conference,* Paris, France.

(Titled then “Survival in Everettian Quantum Mechanics”).

May 2012 *Individuals in Physics and Metaphysics Colloquium*; Urbino, Italy.

(Titled then “Survival in Everettian Quantum Mechanics”)

“The Relative Facts Interpretation and Everett’s *note added in proof.*”

May 2011 *The Metaphysics and Philosophy of Science Conference*, Toronto, Canada.

**Other Presentations**

“A Continued Investigation of the Ethics of Rock Climbing” (With Gina Gonzalez)

September 2017 *45th annual meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport*, Whistler, British Colombia, Canada.

“The Vertical Tango: The Aesthetic of Rock Climbing.”

September 2015 *43rd annual meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport*, Cardiff, Wales.

“Off-Belay!: The Ethics of Risk Taking in Rock Climbing.” (With Gina Gonzalez)

September 2015 *43rd annual meeting of the International Association for the Philosophy of Sport,* Cardiff, Wales.

“A Preliminary Comparison of Critical Thinking Gains in First Year Seminars.” (With Gina

Gonzalez)

February 2014 Research presentation. Group Meeting of the American Association of Philosophy Teachers. American Philosophical Association: Central Division Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, USA.

**Comments**

On Alastair Wilson’s “Modalizing Regularity Theories of Laws of Nature”

 October 2017 *Metaphysics and the Laws of Nature* *workshop*, Boulder, CO.

On Travis Dumsday’s “Gunk and the Debate over Irreducible Determinables »

October 2017 *3rd Annual Meeting of the Society for the Metaphysics of Science*,, Fordham University, NY.

On Daniel Kim’s “Exclusion, Overdetermination, and Vacuity”

October 2010 *Fall meeting of the Southwest Philosophical Association,* Memphis, TN,

**Grants**

**In Progress**

2017 American Philosophical Society

**Awarded**

2017 American-Scandinavian Foundation

Funding to work for 5 weeks in Helsinki, Finland with philosophers Tuomas Tahko and Donnchadh O’Conaill on projects investigating the use of relations as grounds for metaphysical dependence

Award: $5,000

2015 The Kentucky Humanties Council, The Hinkle Foundation of Morehead State University, The Department of History, Philosophy, International and Legal Studies, and Morehead State Public Radio.

Project: Philosophy Speaker’s Series

Award: $3,200.

2013 Research and Creative Productions Summer Fellowship, Morehead State University

 Project: “Intrinsic Properties and the Relative Facts Interpretation”

 Award: $5,000.

2012 Research and Creative Productions Summer Fellowship, Morehead State University

 Project: “Identity and Relative Facts”

 Award: $5,000.

2011 AAUW Short-term Research Publication Grant

Project: “Bridging the Gap Between Quantum Mechanics and Metaphysics”

 Award: $6,000.

2011 Center for Learning and Professional Development Scholarship of Teaching and Learning, Morehead State University

Student Success Project: “Active Learning Strategies in the Classroom”

 Award: $750.

**Applied for but not funded**

2016 NEH Summer Stipend

Project: “The Relative Facts Interpretation and Realism”

I applied at the national level.

2016 Research and Creative Productions Summer Fellowship, Morehead State University

 Project: “Off Belay! The Ethics of Free-Soloing”

2015 Research and Creative Productions Summer Fellowship, Morehead State University

 Project: “Everettian Quantum Mechanics Without Realism”

2014 NEH Summer Stipend

Project: “Intrinsic Properties in the Relative Facts Interpretation”

I applied at the University level – my application was not one of the two chosen to apply at the national level.

2014 Research and Creative Productions Summer Fellowship, Morehead State University

 Project: “Everettian Quantum Mechanics Without Realism”

2013 NEH Summer Stipend

Project: “Intrinsic Properties in the Relative Facts Interpretation”

I applied at the University level – my application was not one of the two chosen to apply at the national level.

2012 NEH Summer Stipend

Project: “Intrinsic Properties in the Relative Facts Interpretation”

I applied at the national level.

2011 NEH Summer Stipend

Project: “Relative Facts: Bridging Physics and Philosophy”

 I applied at the national level.

**Teaching**

**Courses taught 2+ times (as of Fall 2017)**

First Year Seminar: Puzzles, Paradoxes and Games (5 times)

First Year Seminar: Winnie the Pooh and Buddha Too (6 times)

Beginning Philosophy: PHIL 100 (5 times)

Beginning Logic: PHIL 106 (8 times)

Social Ethics: PHIL 203 (4 times)

Philosophy of the Arts: PHIL 308 (4 times)

Philosophy of Science (4 times)

Metaphysics (2 times) (our upper division courses are taught every two years and one of my other colleagues also specializes in Metaphysics and so we teach the class alternately)

Symbolic Logic (4 times)

Senior Seminar (5 times)

**Courses taught once (as of Fall 2017)**

**All of the following are Upper Division Courses taught to majors.**

**All but Epistemology are courses I developed.**

Philosophy of Quantum Mechanics

Philosophy and Science Fiction

Advanced Topics in Logic

Epistemology

Puzzles, Paradoxes and Games

**Student contact activities**

**Number of Advisees**

**(From Fall 2012-present I have been the only advisor in the philosophy program.)**

Fall 2016-Spring 2017 90 Philosophy Majors and Minors

Fall 2015-Spring 2016 88 Philosophy Majors and Minors

Fall 2014-Spring 2015 83 Philosophy Majors and Minors

Fall 2013-Spring 2014 80 Philosophy Majors and Minors

 Fall 2012-Spring 2013 68 Philosophy Majors and Minors

 Fall 2011-Spring 2012 18 Philosophy Majors and Minors

**Supervision of Undergraduate Research**

 **Undergraduate Research Fellow**

Fall 2011-Spring 2012 Isaac Casto – Accepted to 2012’s Posters at the Capitol, a competitive showcase of research done by undergraduates across Kentucky.

“Facts are Relations: The Metaphysics of Quantum Mechanics”

**Students accepted to the National Conference on Undergraduate Research Conference. All work was done as part of one of my Senior Seminar course.**

Spring 2017 Kirsten Duff “An Ethical Analysis of Psychological Testing of Human

Subjects Code of Conduct”, Memphis, TN.

Adda Coleman “Beowulf and Virtue Epistemology”, Memphis, TN.

Spring 2014 Asa Hosoda “Interactivity: Unique Aesthetics of Video Games”, Lexington, KY.

Tyler Mullins “Pride and Privacy: A Philosophical Examination of the Individual’s Right to Privacy”, Lexington, KY.

**Students accepted to Posters at the Capitol, a competitive annual showcase of research done by undergraduates across Kentucky. All work was done as part of my Senior Seminar Course.**

Spring 2017 Adda Coleman “Beowulf and Virtue Epistemology”

Spring 2016 Christopher J. Nunley “Safe Sex”

 Kelly Gardner “Are You Still a Virgin?”

**Continuing Education**

**Conferences and Workshops I have attended but at which I have not presented or chaired.**

July 2017 Summer School on Metaphysical Dependence with Jessica Wilson

July 2017 Workshop on Metaphysics and the Laws of Nature, Hamburg, Germany

May 2017 Structural Realism Workshop, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ.

May 2017 Higher Order Metaphysics Workshop, New York University, New York, NY.

March 2017 Fundamentality Workshop, Oxford University, Corpus Christi, Oxford,

England

March 2017 American Philosophical Association Central Division meeting, Kansas City, MO.

November 2016 Philosophy of Science meeting, Atlanta, GA.

September 2016 Grounding in Philosophy of Science, Geneva, Switzerland.

October 2014 Metaphysics of Quantum Mechanics Workshop, Oxford University, Corpus Christi College, Oxford, England.

Summer 2013 SACS COC Institute on Quality Enhancement and Accreditation.

Spring 2013 American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning meeting at the American Philosophical Association, Central Division meeting.

Spring 2012 American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning meeting at the American Philosophical Association, Central Division meeting.

Spring 2011 American Association of Philosophy Teachers, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning meeting at the American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division meeting.

**Other evidence of professional growth**

Spring-Fall 2017 Member of the Academic Leadership Academy

Fall 2012-present Member of the First Year Seminar Professional Learning Community.

Fall 2013 Instructor for the formal study of the Quality Enhancement Plan project.

Fall 2012 Instructor in the Pilot II group of the Quality Enhancement Plan project.

2010-2011 Participant in the Pilot group of the SB1 Student Success Faculty and Professional Staff Group.

**Service**

**University level**

Spring 2017-present Coordinator of First Year Seminar Faculty

Spring 2014-present General Education Council

Fall 2014-present Facilitator the First Year Seminar Quality Enhancement Plan Professional Learning Community.

Spring 2013-present Judge for the annual Celebration of Student Scholarship at

Morehead State University

Spring 2014 Search Committee for Outdoor Adventures Coordinator position.

Spring 2013-2014 Judge for the Library Research Paper Competition.

Spring - Summer 2013 Search Committee for Library I position.

Fall 2012 – present Member of the First Year Seminar, Quality Enhancement Plan committee.

**College level**

Spring 2014-Spring 2015 Judge for the Caudill College Undergraduate Research Competition.

2011-2013 Scholarship Appeals Committee – Representative of the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Fall 2011 Academic Appeals Committee – representative of the Caudill College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

**Department level**

**The current department name is History, Philosophy, Politics, International Studies & Legal Studies [HPPIL]. All activities for the department under different names have been changed to HPPIL be consistent.**

2012-present Philosophy Program Coordinator.

2012-present Philosophy Program Centralized Advisor.

2012-present Member of Department Curriculum Committee.

2011-present Philosophy Program Assessment Coordinator.

2015-2017 Member of the HPPIL Appeals Board for Annual Reviews

Fall 2015 Updated the Philosophy Program’s 5-Year Assessment Plan.

2014-2015 Member of the HPPIL Advisory Board for Annual Reviews

Summer - Fall 2014 Search Committee for HPPIL Academic Department Specialist.

Spring 2013 Search Committee for Chair of HPPIL.

Spring - Summer 2011 Drafted the Philosophy Program’s 5-Year Assessment Plan.

**Professional level**

2017-present Referee for *Synthese.*

2017-present Referee for *Studies in the History and Philosophy of Modern Physics.*

2012-present Referee for *Erkenntnis.*

2011-present Referee for *Philosophy of Science*.

Summer 2017 Organized the symposium “Relations in Physics and Metaphysics” for SILFS 2017 - *Triennial International Conference of the Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science*, Bologna, Italy. The speakers were: Mauro Dorato, Federico Laudisa, F.A. Muller, David Glick and Vincent Lam. Philipp Blum was included as part of the program but could not attend.

Summer 2017 Chair for a Colloquium at SILFS 2017 - *Triennial International Conference of the Italian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science*, Bologna, Italy.

Summer 2017 Referee for Lexington Books, and imprint of Rowman & Littlefield.

Spring 2016 Chair for a Colloquium at the American Philosophical Association: Central Division Annual Meeting.

Spring 2015 Chair for a Symposium at the American Philosophical Association: Central Division Annual Meeting.

Spring 2014 Chair for a Colloquium at the American Philosophical Association: Central Division Annual Meeting.

2010-present Periodic review of textbooks and on-line course components for Pearson Publishing and Cengage/Wadsworth Publishing.

Summer 2010 Invited Reviewer for Southwest Philosophy Association annual

meeting.

**Coordination of and participation in Morehead State University workshops, conferences, clinics, in-service and special events.**

Fall 2016 5th Annual Professional Development Day, Trainer – trained faculty how to

implement the FYS QEP in their courses.

Fall 2015 4th Annual Professional Development Day, Trainer – trained faculty how to

implement the FYS QEP in their courses.

Spring 2014 Supporting Students – Internship, Practicum and Cooperative Education, Attendee.

Fall 2014 3rd Annual Professional Development Day, Trainer – trained faculty how to

implement the FYS QEP in their courses.

Fall 2013 Online Collaborative Experience Course, Enrolled.

Keynote Follow-up: QEP & Critical Thinking with Cathy Bays, Attendee.

Keynote Follow-up: QEP & Critical Thinking with John Nash, Attendee.

Preparing for the QEP Pilot on Critical Thinking, Attendee.

2nd Annual Professional Development Day, Attendee.

Fall 2012 1st Annual Professional Development Day – “Strategies for

Improved Teaching: Active Learning Techniques for Faculty”, Facilitator.

Advising Workshop – “Working with Transfer Students and Veterans”, Attendee.

Spring 2012 Student Success Summit: Encouraging Faculty and Staff Dialogues about Student

Successes – “Sharing Strategies for Improved Teaching: Active Learning Techniques for Faculty Members”, Facilitator.

Student Success Summit with Tara Parker, Attendee.

Fall 2011 “Active Learning Strategies for the Classroom with Dr. Christina Conroy”, Facilitator.

Graduate School Application Workshop for HPRL students interested in applying

to graduate/law school, Facilitator.

Blackboard Bridge Training, Attendee.

Grant Opportunities Reception with the CLPD and the CRE, Attendee.

Technology Users Group – “Anti-Plagiarism Software”, Attendee.

Spring 2011 Graduate School Application Workshop for HPRL students interested in applying

to graduate/law school, Facilitator.

Diversity Matters: Understanding Diversity in Schools with Dr. Lynn Spradlin, Attendee.

Pamela Petty workshop, Attendee.

Oodles of Moodles, Training on Moodle Rooms, Attendee.

Fall 2010 Stewart Ross of Dee Fink – Integrated Course Design for Significant Learning, Attendee.

Tenure and Review Process, Attendee.