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**PEDAGOGY WORKSHOP
PHILOSOPHY IN AN
INTERDISCIPLINARY KEY**

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Discussants

<p>Peter Fosl</p> <p>Transylvania University</p> <p>Philosophy, Politics, Economics Program</p>	<p>Minh Nguyen</p> <p>Eastern Kentucky University</p> <p>Asian Studies & Honors</p>	<p>Bob Sandmeyer</p> <p>University of Kentucky</p> <p>Sustainability</p>
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Role of Panelists' Presentation

- Describe interdisciplinary work which forefronts philosophy's place in an interdisciplinary context
- Discuss importance of philosophy in interdisciplinary work at universities/colleges or in community, especially considering the current economic constraints to higher education in KY
- Discuss challenges, pedagogical or institutional, to such work and/activities



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Aim of KPA Workshop
to discuss the role of philosophy and activities
of philosophers in an interdisciplinary context
highlighting challenges and barriers
encountered

Presentations: 30-45 minutes

Discussion: 45-60 minutes



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"PPE has proven itself to be one of the premier
majors preparing students for careers in law,
public service, non-profit work and graduate study"

Peter Fosl,
professor of philosophy



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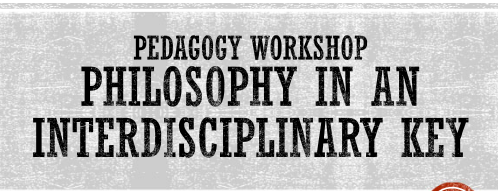


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Syllabus: ENS 6

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FSC
faculty sustainability council

PSAC
president's sustainability advisory council

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Sustainability Grants


Student Sustainability Council


Sustainability Challenge Grants

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**sustain • able
pedagogies**
methods and practices for teaching sustainability and teaching sustainably

Aim:
to uncover and bring together a
cadre of faculty
committed to teaching
sustainability and teaching
sustainably.


Acting as **agents of change**,
workshop participants will be
frontline innovators
transforming educational
practices across Colleges
Sustainability Challenge Grants



CELT
center for the enhancement of learning & teaching



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Interior Design
Historic Preservation

Philosophy
World
Writing, Rhetoric, Digital media


Extension
Entomology
Econ
Community & Leadership Development

DESIGN


ARTS & SCIENCES

AGRICULTURE

DENTISTRY
HONORS
SOCIAL WORK
COMMUNICATIONS




"Superman Must Fly" - Clichés Are Good When They're Used Right




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1 Sustainability

- Placing philosophy in conversation with other disciplines
 - Interdisciplinary
 - Within the College of Arts and Sciences
 - Transdisciplinary
 - Within the University as a whole
 - E.g. sustain • able pedagogies workshop
- Economic constraints
 - Philosophy is not a money-making degree
 - Effect of breaking outside our disciplinary silo
 - Increased visibility & relevance of the discipline
 - Recruitment within
 - Major
 - College
- Challenges
 - Personal
 - Tenure considerations
 - Institutional
 - University budget depresses transdisciplinary work
 - Research
 - External funding accounted at UK in ways that discourages interdisciplinary research

2 & 3 Philosophy & ENS

- Home department – Philosophy
 - Also: Environmental & Sustainability Studies Faculty
- ENS – an interdisciplinary major within College of Arts and Sciences
 - Helped fashion the major
 - Approved by UK Senate: 2013
 - PHI 336 Environmental Ethics
 - 1 of 6 core requirements

- Specifically relevant courses:
 - Created
 - PHI 205 Food Ethics
 - PHI 336
 - PHI 531 Aldo Leopold's Land Ethic
 - Designing
 - PHI 532 DL Advanced Environmental Ethics
- Challenge
 - Tenure Review in Philosophy
 - Tenure still fundamentally a disciplinary process
 - DOE & Contract
 - Insulated within Philosophy
 - Benefits to this

4 Team taught the ENS Capstone course 2018

- Collaboration with Director of the Office of Sustainability
 - Philosopher – curriculum
 - Sustainability Officer – Project Designer
- Capstone Project
 - UK Sustainability Strategic Plan
 - Students engage all aspects of university infrastructure

5 Three Sustainability Programs at UK: ENS, SAG, NRES

- Arts and Sciences
 - ENS – BA degree
 - PHI 336 Environmental Ethics
 - a major requirement
- College of Agriculture, Food, and the Environment
 - SAG – a BS degree
 - Steering Committee
 - Since 2011
 - PHI 205 Food Ethics
 - A major requirement
 - Social Responsibility Cluster
 - NRES
 - Required: PHI 336 Environmental Ethics

- Replaced FOR 240 Forestry and Natural Resource Ethics
 - (a major requirement for Forestry)

6 Sustainability at the Institutional Level

- President's Sustainability Advisory Council
 - Deals with infrastructure concerns
 - Recognized an omission
- Faculty Sustainability Council
 - Provost initiated committee
 - My role:
 - not special because of philosophy
 - My participation
 - Led to most rewarding interdisciplinary work done at UK

7 Sustainability Funding at UK

- Philosophy has no money
- Won a \$47,000+ Sustainability Challenge Grant
 - Sustainability Challenge Grant Program: collaborative effort of
 - PSAC
 - The Tracy Farmer Institute for Sustainability and the Environment
 - The Office of Sustainability
 - Designed to engage multidisciplinary teams from the University community in the creation and implementation of ideas that will promote sustainability

8 sustain • able pedagogies workshop

- A jointly organized pedagogy workshop
 - Helen Turner, College of Design
 - Me
- Sought to overcome a great challenge
 - Creating a network of faculty
 - Sustainability scholars
 - Insulated by their disciplinary silo
- Exciting collaboration with C.E.L.T.
 - Ongoing professional efforts

9 Philosopher as AGENT OF CHANGE