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Panelists and Moderators

Lloyd Kramer

Director of Carolina Public Humanities and Professor of History

Elizabeth Anderson

Elizabeth Anderson is John Dewey Distinguished University Professor, John Rawls Collegiate Professor, and Arthur F. Thurnau Professor of Philosophy and Women's Studies at the University of Michigan. She received her Ph.D. in Philosophy from Harvard University. Anderson specializes in ethics, social and political philosophy, feminist theory, social epistemology, and the philosophy of economics and the social sciences. She is particularly interested in exploring the interactions of social science with moral and political theory, how we learn to improve our value judgments, the epistemic functions of emotions and democratic deliberation, and issues of race, gender, and equality. She is the author of *Value in Ethics and Economics* (1993), *The Imperative of Integration* (2010) and, most recently, *Private Government: How Employers Rule Our Lives (And Why We Don't Talk About It)* (2017), as well as articles on value theory, the ethical limitations of markets, facts and values in social scientific research, feminist and social epistemology, racial integration and affirmative action, rational choice and social norms, democratic theory, egalitarianism, and the history of ethics (focusing on Kant, Mill, and Dewey). Anderson is currently working on the history of egalitarianism, with a special focus on the social epistemology of moral learning, taking the history of abolitionism as a central case study. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and was the first Director of the Program in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, which she designed, at the University of Michigan.

Max Owre

Executive Director of Carolina Public Humanities and Teaching Assistant Professor of History

Jill Adams

Daughter of Maynard Adams and Emerita Professor of Law at Southern Illinois University

Karl Adam

Karl Adam is a Maynard Adams Fellow for the Public Humanities and Ph.D. candidate in the Philosophy Department at UNC-Chapel Hill. Originally from Ortonville, Michigan, he received a B.A. from Oakland University with majors in philosophy, anthropology, and history. His research interests are broadly in moral and political philosophy, and his dissertation focuses on the implications of taking the rights of indigenous peoples seriously for the philosophy of immigration and political philosophy more broadly.

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Todd Ramón Ochoa

Todd Ramón Ochoa is Associate Professor of Religious Studies. He earned a Ph.D. in Cultural Anthropology from Columbia University and held a Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of California-Berkeley before joining the faculty at UNC-Chapel Hill in 2008. Ochoa's research focuses on African-inspired societies and religions in Latin America and the Caribbean; Cuba; materiality; and racialization, Creolization, and hybridity. He is the author of *Society of the Dead: Quita Maniquita and Palo Praise in Cuba* (2010) and *A Party for Lazarus: Exuberance and Affliction in a Cuban Town* (2020). Ochoa's teaching is oriented to helping students grasp social theory as a resource for scholarly creativity in the study of religion.

DeeAnn Spicer

DeeAnn Spicer is a Maynard Adams Fellow for the Public Humanities and Ph.D. candidate in the Philosophy Department. She has lived for many years in Maryland but grew up in Trinidad and Tobago. She holds a B.A. in Philosophy with a minor in English from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. Now in her fourth year as a graduate student at UNC-Chapel Hill, her current research interests lie at the intersection of philosophy of language and social and political philosophy. She is particularly interested in indirect forms of communication, such as microaggressions and political dogwhistles, and speech act theory. Spicer is a 2021 recipient of a Tanner Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching.

Sarah Stroud

Sarah Stroud is Professor of Philosophy at UNC-Chapel Hill, where she directs the Parr Center for Ethics. She received her Ph.D. from Harvard University and was previously Professor of Philosophy at McGill University, where she taught from 1993 to 2018. Stroud works across central areas of moral philosophy, with a particular focus on foundational issues in moral psychology and moral theory and on the intersection of such issues with metaethics and the philosophy of action. She has published papers on such topics as partiality, moral demandingness and overridingness, lying and testimony, practical irrationality, and the moral implications and significance of personal relationships. She co-edited *Weakness of Will and Practical Irrationality* (2003) and the *International Encyclopedia of Ethics* (2013).

Benjamin Waterhouse

Benjamin Waterhouse is Associate Professor of History and associate chair of his department at UNC-Chapel Hill. He earned his Ph.D. from Harvard University. Waterhouse's research focuses on American politics, political culture, and capitalism in the twentieth century. He is interested in contests between economic groups, including business, labor, and the political class, and how the relationships among them shaped the broader contours of the American political tradition and American economic development. Waterhouse teaches courses on the history of business and economics, politics and political thought, and capitalism. His book, *Lobbying America: The Politics of Business from Nixon to NAFTA* (2014), explores the role that large, national business associations—and their lobbyists—played in shaping economic policy and conservative politics between the 1960s and the 1990s.