



**2015 JOINT MEETING:  
PHILOSOPHY OF SOCIAL SCIENCE ROUNDTABLE and the  
EUROPEAN NETWORK FOR THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**8-10 May 2015  
Simpson Center for the Humanities  
University of Washington, Seattle**

**PROGRAM**

**Location:** unless otherwise indicated, all sessions are in the **Simpson Center for the Humanities (SCH)**, located on the second floor of the Communications Building (CMU)

- Campus map: <http://www.washington.edu/maps/#!/cmu>
- Local arrangements: <http://www.poss-rt.net/localarrangements2015.htm>

**Program chair & local host:** Alison Wylie (University of Washington): [aw26@uw.edu](mailto:aw26@uw.edu)

**FRIDAY, MAY 8**

9:30 – 10:00: Continental breakfast and introductions  
SCH reception (CMU 204)

10:00 – 12:00: **Symposium: The Nature and Scope of Narrative Explanations**

SCH seminar room (CMU 202)

Chair: James Bohman (St. Louis University)

- Paul Roth (University of California, Santa Cruz): *Reviving the philosophy of history*
- Karsten Stueber (College of the Holy Cross): *The cognitive function of narratives*
- Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen (University of Oulu): *The narrativist insight and postnarrativism in the philosophy of historiography*

10:00 – 12:00: **Models and Mechanisms I**

SCH collaboration studio (CMU 218D)

Chair: Julie Zahle (University of Copenhagen)

- Jack Wright (Cambridge University): *Is mathematical modeling inherently unsuitable to social science?*
- Philippe Huneman (CNRS, IHPST) and Isabelle Drouet (Université Paris-Sorbonne, SND): *But who are these agents? Investigating what agent-based modeling does in social science*

12:00 – 1:30: Lunch at the University of Washington Club

1:45 – 3:45: **Social Ontology I**

SCH seminar room (CMU 202)

Chair: Paul Roth (University of California, Santa Cruz)

- Jo-Jo Koo (Skidmore College) *Haslanger's critical social theory of gender and race from the point of view of the philosophy of social science*
- Harold Kincaid (University of Cape Town): *Social classes: Real, nominal or bogus?*

1:45 – 3:45: **Modeling and Mechanisms II**

SCH collaboration studio (CMU 218D)

Chair: Margaret Schabas (University of British Columbia)

- Gustav Ramström (Stockholm University): *Mechanisms in social science: What are they and how do we model them?*
- Marshall Abrams (University of Alabama, Birmingham): *Where does cultural coherence come from? Modeling the coevolution of religion and coordination in Balinese rice farming*

4:00 – 6:00: **Keynote Address – William Wimsatt** (University of Chicago and University of Minnesota):  
**Scaffolding and Entrenchment in Cultural Evolution**

Gowen Hall 201

Chair: Alison Wylie (University of Washington, Seattle)

Followed by a reception in the Department of Philosophy (Savery Hall 361)

## SATURDAY, MAY 9

8:30 – 9:00: Continental breakfast

### 9:00-12:00: **Social Ontology II**

SCH seminar room (CMU 202)

Chair: Alban Bouvier (Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris)

- Ouzilou Olivier (Université de Lorraine): *A dispositional account of collective beliefs: The case of political parties*
- Matti Heinonen (University of Helsinki, CUNY Graduate Center): *Minimalism and maximalism in the study of shared agency*
- Francesco Di Iorio (ESCP Europe, Paris France, and Luiss University, Italy): *Two reductionist interpretations of methodological individualism*

### 9:00-12:00: **Economics / Decision Science**

SCH collaboration studio (CMU 218D)

Chair: Byron Kaldis (Hellenic Open University, Athens)

- Roberto Fumagalli (University of Bayreuth and LSE): *Economics, psychology and the unity of the decision sciences*
- Miles MacLeod and Michiru Nagatsu (University of Helsinki): *Model coupling in resource economics: Conditions for effective interdisciplinary collaboration*
- Johanna Marie Thoma (University of Toronto): *Credible worlds and the hidden thought experiments of economic theory*

12:00-1:30 Lunch catered at the Simpson Center

### 1:30 – 4:30: **Values in Science / Co-production of Social Science**

SCH seminar room (CMU 202)

Chair: Mark Risjord (Emory University)

- Kristina Rolin (University of Helsinki): *Values in science: The case of feminist standpoint theory*
- Matthew Sample (University of Washington): *Social science as the measure of all things: Prospects of a Sellarsian perspective*
- Manuela Fernández Pinto (University of Helsinki): *Economics imperialism in social epistemology*

### 1:30 – 4:30: **Social Glue**

SCH collaboration studio (CMU 218D)

Chair: David Henderson (University of Nebraska, Lincoln)

- Brian Epstein (Tufts University): *How many kinds of glue hold the social world together?*
- Rosa W Runhardt (London School of Economics): *Causal generalizations and epistemic homogeneity*
- Matt Drabek (University of Iowa): *Social practices as embodied and embedded systems of classification*

4:30 – 6:30 **Keynote Address – Abby Stewart** (University of Michigan):

***Judging Others in the Academy: Implications of Uncertainty and Bias***

CMU 226 (just down the hall from the Simpson Center)

Chair: Carole Lee (University of Washington, Seattle)

## SUNDAY, MAY 10

9:30-10:00: Continental breakfast

### 10:00-12:00: **Explanation**

SCH seminar room (CMU 202)

Alban Bouvier (Ecole Normale Supérieure, Paris)

- Hardy Schillgen (University of Cambridge): *How to render theories of explanatory pluralism useful for scientific practice*
- David Sherman (University of Montana): *Elster and the scope of ambition in the social sciences*

### 10:00-12:00: **Citizenship, Social Practice and Social Organization**

SCH collaboration studio (CMU 218D)

Stephen Turner (University of South Florida)

- Loren King (Wilfred Laurier University), Brandon Morgan-Olsen (Loyola University Chicago) and James Wong (Wilfred Laurier University): *Virtues of science and citizenship: Against two orthodoxies*
- Elihu Gerson (Tremont Research Institute): *Institutions and repertoires: Capacity concepts in the analysis of social organization*