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Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Religion Claremont Graduate University	2016
Master of Arts in Philosophy Claremont Graduate University	2015
Master of Arts in Theology Fuller Theological Seminary	2012
Bachelor of Arts in Psychology University of Central Arkansas	2009

Doctoral Concentrations

- Philosophy of Religion & Theology
- Continental Philosophy

Examinations (AOC)

- Classical Theology
- 19th Century Philosophical, Religious, & Theological Thought
- 20th Century Philosophical, Religious, & Theological Thought
- Psychoanalysis & Gender Theory

Current Employment

Affiliate Faculty Metropolitan State University of Denver Department of Philosophy	Feb. 2017 – Present
Affiliate Faculty Front Range Community College Department of Creative & Technical Arts, Humanities & Languages	Aug. 2017 – Present
Affiliate Faculty Colorado Community Colleges Online Department of Arts & Humanities	Aug. 2017 – Present

Dissertation

Resonance Machines After the Criticism of Heaven: Psychoanalytic Discourse, Political Populism, & Theologies of Anxiety.

Committee Members

- Ingolf U. Dalferth, Ph.D. (Chair)
- Philip Clayton, Ph.D.
- Henry Krips, Ph.D.

Courses Taught

- PHI 1030: Introduction to Ethics
- PHI 114: Comparative Religions
- PHI 214: Philosophy of Religion
- PHI 111: Introduction to Philosophy
- PHI 3360: Business Ethics
- PHI 218: Environmental Ethics
- REL 300: Exploring Biblical Traditions
- REL 100: Introduction to Christianity
- THEO 303: Theology and the Christian Life
- RELIG 100: Introduction to Religious Studies
- PHIL 76: Critical Thinking

Published Books

1. DeLay, Tad. *The Cynic & the Fool: The Unconscious in Theology & Politics*. Eugene: Cascade, 2017.
2. DeLay, Tad. *God Is Unconscious: Psychoanalysis & Theology*. Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2015.

Books Proposals Under Review

1. DeLay, Tad. *Turmoil & Resonance: The Analysis of Populism, Evangelicalism, & Submission* (forthcoming 2019).

Published Articles

1. DeLay, Tad. "How (Not) to Speak of the Other." *Modern Believing* 56.2 (2016).
2. DeLay, Tad. "Excess: The Obscene Supplement in Slavoj Žižek's Religion and Politics." *International Journal of Žižek Studies* 8.2 (2014).
3. DeLay, Tad. "They Do Not Realize We Are Bringing Them the Plague." *The Other Journal* 25 (2015).

Associations

- American Academy of Religion
- Society for the Philosophy of Religion at Claremont

Published Volume Chapters

1. DeLay, Tad. "Orthodoxy's Anxiety and Ideas that Fail." In *It Spooks*, edited by Erin Schendzielos. Rapid City: Shelter50 Publishing, 2015
2. DeLay, Tad. "Text and Taboo." In *Justice Calls*, edited by Phil Snider. Eugene: Cascade, 2016.

Volume Chapters In Press

1. DeLay, Tad. "Psychoanalysis." In *Radical Theology Handbook*, edited by Christopher Rodkey and Jordan Miller. New York: Palgrave, (forthcoming 2018).

Teaching History

Affiliate Faculty

Metropolitan State University of Denver

PHI 1030: Introduction to Ethics

- A first philosophy course designed to introduce students to basic philosophical issues, primarily in the areas of moral and social philosophy. This course covers fundamental questions such as, for example: "What is the relation, if any, between morality and religion?" or "How should society be best organized?" Important cultural achievements, in the form of original and complete works, will be emphasized.

Feb. 2017 – Present

PHI 3360: Business Ethics

- Investigates the value conflicts that may arise from current circumstances in the modern business world. Designed to assist students in becoming effective business professionals, it examines four main areas of current practice in some detail: the responsibility of business in society, corporate governance, ethical decision-making, and ethical leadership. Interpretive, critical and analytical skills will be emphasized and cultivated.

Affiliate Faculty

Front Range Community College

PHI 114: Comparative Religions

- Introduces students to the major world religions from both the Eastern and Western world such as Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Baha'i, and influential pre-literate traditions. Utilizes religious studies methods (historical, sociological, legal, psychological, and phenomenological), to understand the historical development of each religious tradition in terms of communities, cultural context, and modern manifestations; paying particular attention to differences between sects, denominations, schools, and factions within each tradition. Focus will include the examination of the charismatic leaders, prophets, and narratives that inform the worldview of each tradition.

Aug. 2017 – Present

PHI 214: Philosophy of Religion

- Focuses on the critical examination of the fundamental concepts, ideas, and implications of religion. Includes the nature of God, the varieties of religious experience, argument concerning God's existence, the Problem of Evil, faith and reason, religion and human destiny, and the connection between religion and ethics.

PHI 111: Introduction to Philosophy

- Introduces significant theoretical and practical questions and emphasizes understanding the meaning and methods of philosophy. Includes: the human condition, logic, reality, knowledge, freedom, history, ethics, and religion.

Affiliate Faculty

Aug. 217 – Present

Colorado Community Colleges Online

PHI 218: Environmental Ethics

- Critically analyzes theories of value of the natural world. Topics include the relation between scientific and moral principles; theories of the moral worth of persons, animals, plants and other natural objects; historical, religious and cultural influences on conceptions of nature; alternative accounts of human relationships and responsibilities to nature, including deep ecology and eco-feminism; and the connection between moral and political values and economic policies.

Adjunct Faculty

Aug. 2015 – Dec. 2016

California Lutheran University

REL 300: Exploring Biblical Traditions

- Traces the development of religious consciousness and human experience, examines the foundations of Judaism and Christianity in the Hebrew and Christian scriptures, explores the rise and expansion of Christianity in its unity and diversity, and explains its core beliefs and practices.

REL 100: Introduction to Christianity

- Explores the historical and theological foundations of Christian thought and practice, with special attention to critiques of religion, liberation theology, and relationships between Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2015 – May 2015

Azusa Pacific University

THEO 303: Theology and the Christian Life

- An introduction to the doctrines of the Christian church, focusing on the Christian life and its relationship to theology. The course approaches theology from an inductive method in the Wesleyan tradition, helping the student learn to think theologically from the Scriptures, orthodox ecumenical tradition, experience, and reason.

Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2014 – Dec. 2014

Crafton Hills College

RELIG 100: Introduction to Religious Studies

- Study of the major components all religions have in common, exploring such elements as the holy, sacred stories, ritual, iconography, religious leaders, scripture, morality and ethics, individual and community in religious tradition, the arts and media, and phenomenology. Use of diverse methodologies to integrate historical research and practical application.

Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2014 – Dec. 2014

Chaffey College

PHI 76: Critical Thinking

- Explores the underlying structure of argument and the role of sound reasoning in the investigation of claims. Includes an analysis of language, inductive and deductive reasoning, the difference between fact and judgment and belief from knowledge, and the identification of formal and informal fallacies.

Selected Conference Papers

1. DeLay, Tad. "What Does the Populist Want?: On the Enjoyment of Rhetoric, Ideology, and Political Movement." Paper presented at LACK, Colorado Springs, CO, October 2017.
2. DeLay, Tad. "Populism and Resonance Machines." Paper presented at Recovering the Unconscious, Denver, CO, October 2016.
3. DeLay, Tad. "Social Media and Political Populism." Paper presented at LACK, Colorado Springs, CO, April 2016.
4. DeLay, Tad. "The Machine, The University, the Masses, and the Analyst." Paper presented at Subverting the Norm, Springfield, MI, November 2015.
5. DeLay, Tad. "God Is Unconscious." Paper presented at Taking Lacan Public, Denver, CO, April 2015.
6. DeLay, Tad. "On Uses of Conspiracy Theories in Religion and Politics." Paper presented at Religions in Conversation, Claremont, CA, February 2015.
7. DeLay, Tad. "Schism and Heterosexism: the Anglican Realignment and the Future of American Christianity." Paper presented at American Academy of Religion, Los Angeles, CA, March 2014.
8. DeLay, Tad. "Anxiety and Emptiness: Psychopathology in Religion and Art." Paper presented at Religions in Conversation, Claremont, CA, February 2015.
9. DeLay, Tad. "Radical Theology." Panel with John D. Caputo at Greenbelt, Cheltenham, UK, July 2013.
10. DeLay, Tad. "Psychology and Piety." Paper presented at Subverting the Norm, Springfield, MI, April 2013.