

**Jeffrey A. Bell**  
**Professor of Philosophy**

**Academic Positions**

- (2007–present) Professor of Philosophy, Southeastern Louisiana University
- (July–December 2019) Leverhulme Visiting Professor in Philosophy, Royal Holloway, University of London
- (1999–2006) Associate Professor of Philosophy, Southeastern Louisiana University
- (1993–1999) Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Southeastern Louisiana University
- (1988–1992) Graduate Assistant and Instructor, Tulane University

**Education**

- Ph.D. Philosophy, Tulane University.  
A.B. Philosophy, Occidental College.

**Authored Books**

1. (forthcoming 2022) *An Inquiry into Analytic-Continental Metaphysics: Truth, Relevance, and Reality*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press
2. (forthcoming 2022) *Towards a Critical Existentialism: Truth, Relevance, and Politics*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.
3. (2016) *Deleuze and Guattari's What is Philosophy?: A Critical Introduction and Guide*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 264pp.
4. (2009) *Deleuze's Hume: Philosophy, Culture and the Scottish Enlightenment*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 224pp.  
  
[Reviews include: Martin Bell, "Review Essay," *Hume Studies*, 35(1-2), 246–50; Emilian Margarit "Review Essay: Whose Hume Is This?" *Meta: Research in Hermeneutics, Phenomenology, and Practical Philosophy*, 1(2): 404–408.]
5. (2006) *Philosophy at the Edge of Chaos: Gilles Deleuze and the Philosophy of Difference*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 320pp.  
  
[Reviews include: Adrian Parr, "Review Essay," *Symploke*, 15(1-2): 288–290; Bican Polat, "Review Essay," *MLN* 122.5 (2008): 1204–1208.]
6. (1998) *The Problem of Difference: Phenomenology and Poststructuralism*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 308pp.

**Edited Books**

1. (2018) (with Henry Somers-Hall and James Williams) *A Thousand Plateaus and Philosophy*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.
2. (2015) (with Andrew Cutrofellow and Paul M. Livingston) *Beyond the Analytic–Continental Divide: Pluralist Philosophy in the Twenty-First Century*. New York: Routledge.
3. (2009) (with Claire Colebrook) *Deleuze and History*. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.

4. (2002) *Industrialization and Imperialism: 1800 – 1914. A Biographical Dictionary*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

1. (2021) “Nothing Matters: Skepticism, Spinoza, and Contemporary French Thought,” *Crisis & Critique* 8(1): 53-75
2. (2020) “To Live a Problem: Deleuze and Existential Politics,” *Litteraria Pragensia: Studies in Literature & Culture* 30(60): 33-47.
3. (2018) “Reading Problems: Literacy and the Dynamics of Thought,” *Open Philosophy* 1 (1): 223-234.
4. (2017) “Are we Mad? Intensity and the Problems of Modern Philosophy,” *Deleuze Studies* 11(2): 195-215.
5. (2013) “‘The World is an Egg’: Realism, Mathematics, and the Thresholds of Difference,” *Speculations*, 4: 65-70.
6. (2011) “Between Realism and Anti-Realism: Deleuze and the Spinozist Tradition in Philosophy,” *Deleuze Studies* 5(1): 1-17.
7. (2010) “Beyond Beautiful and Ugly: Non-dual Thinking and Aesthetic Theory,” *Analysis and Metaphysics*, 9: 19-34.
8. (2006) “Charting the Road of Inquiry: Deleuze’s Humean Pragmatics and the Challenge of Badiou,” *The Southern Journal of Philosophy*, 44(3): 399-425.
9. (1998) “The Director-function: Auteur theory and Poststructuralism,” *Fotogenia: storia e teorie del cinema*, 3: 187-194.  
  
[Translated into Italian and published under the title, “La funzione regista. La teoria dell’autore e il post-strutturalismo”]
10. (1995) “Philosophizing the Double-Bind: Deleuze reads Nietzsche,” *Philosophy Today*, 39(4): 371-390.
11. (1995) “Phenomenology, Poststructuralism, and the Cinema of Time,” *Film and Philosophy*, 2: 74-87.  
  
[Translated into Italian and published as, “Il Cinema Del Tempo: Deleuze, la fenomenologia e la differenza,” in *Deleuze E Il Cinema Francese* (Milano: Associazione Culturale Mimesis, 2002), pp. 31-50.]
12. (1994) “Response to Jonathan Beller’s Essay, ‘Cinema: Capital of the Twentieth Century,’” *Postmodern Culture*, 5(1).

### Chapters in Books

1. (2018) “Hume and Continental Philosophy,” in *The Humean Mind*, ed. Angela M. Coventry and Alexander Sager. London: Routledge, 403-415.
2. (2018) “Postulates of Linguistic,” in *A Thousand Plateaus and Philosophy*, ed. Henry Somers-Hall, Jeffrey Bell, and James Williams. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 64-82.
3. (2017) “A Dog’s Life: Thought, Symbols, and Concepts,” in *Rethinking Whitehead’s Symbolism: Thought, Language, Culture*, ed. Roland Faber, Jeffrey Bell, and Joseph Petek, 147-169.

4. (2015) "From Difference Maker to Truthmaker (and back)," in *Beyond the Analytic–Continental Divide: Pluralist Philosophy in the Twenty-First Century*, ed. Jeffrey A. Bell, Andrew Cutrofello, and Paul M. Livingston. New York: Routledge, 129–150.
5. (2014) "Infinite Pragmatics: Deleuze, Peirce, and the Habits of Things," in *Deleuze and Pragmatism*, eds. Sean Bowden, Simone Bignall, and Paul Patton. New York: Routledge, 21–37.
6. (2014) "Scientism and the Modern World," in *The Lure of Whitehead*, eds. Nicholas Gaskill and Adam Nocek. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 65–91.
7. (2013) "Conceiving Things: Deleuze, Concepts, and the Habits of Thinking" in *A History of Habit: From Aristotle to Bourdieu*, eds. Tom Sparrow and Adam Hutchinson. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 275–290.
8. (2011) "Deleuze and Selfless Sex: Undoing Kant's Copernican Revolution," in *Deleuze and Sex*, ed. Frida Beckman. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 153–173.
9. (2011) "Modes of Violence: Deleuze, Whitehead, Butler and the Challenges of Dialogue," in *Butler on Whitehead: On the Occasion*, eds. Roland Faber, Michael Halewood, and Deena M. Lin. New York: Fordham University Press, 127–144.
10. (2011) "Undoing the Subject: Deleuze and the Makings of a Sustainable Life," in *New Directions in Sustainable Design*, eds. Adrian Paul and Michael Zaretsky. London: Routledge, 229–241.
11. (2010) "Whistle While You Work: Deleuze and the Spirit of Capitalism," in *Deleuze and Ethics*, eds. Nathan Jun and Daniel W. Smith, Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 5–20.
12. (2010) "Fear of Politics: Deleuze, Whitehead, and the Truth of Badiou," in *Event and Decision: Ontology and Politics in Badiou, Deleuze and Whitehead*, eds. Roland Faber, Henry Krips, and Daniel Pettus. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 138–169.
13. "Nomad Thought: Deleuze, Whitehead, and the Adventure of Thinking," in *Secrets of Becoming: Negotiating Whitehead, Deleuze and Butler*, eds. Roland Faber and Andrea M. Stephenson. New York: Fordham University Press, 70–81.
14. (2009) "Of the Rise and Progress of Philosophical Concepts: Deleuze's Humean Historiography," in *Deleuze and History*, eds. Jeffrey A. Bell and Claire Colebrook. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 54–71.
15. (2004) "Immanence/Transcendence: Deleuze and Voegelin on the Conditions for Political Order," in *Eric Voegelin's Dialogue with the Postmoderns*, eds. Peter A. Petrakis and Cecil Eubanks. Columbia, MO: University of Missouri Press, 93–120.
16. (2002) "History in the Service of Life: A Dynamic Systems Approach to Intellectual History," in *Uniting the Liberal Arts: Core and Context: Selected Essays for the Fifth Annual Conference of the Association of Core Texts and Courses*, eds. Bainard Cowan and Scott Lee. New York: University Press of America, 2002, 125–131.

#### **Series Editor, Intersections Series for Edinburgh University Press**

1. (2019) *Language and Process*, Michael Halewood. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press.

#### **Awards/Professional Recognition**

- Leverhulme Trust Visiting Professorship, Fall 2019, Royal Holloway, University of London
- Distinguished Teaching Professorship, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2013–present

- Southeastern Louisiana University's 2010 President's Award for Excellence in Research
- Fay Warren Reimers Distinguished Professorship, College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Southeastern Louisiana University, 2007-2010.
- Visiting Research Fellowship, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, Edinburgh, July–October, 2006.
- C. Howard Nichols Professorship in History and Political Science, 2002–2005
- Southeastern Louisiana University Faculty Development Grant, Summer 2001, Summer 2004
- Tulane University Graduate Fellowship, 1986–1988

### Invited Talks and Plenaries

1. "Making Sense of Politics," presented as invited talk to University of Warwick, University of Kent, University of Dundee, Nottingham University, and Manchester Metropolitan University, November-December 2019.
2. "To Live a Problem: Towards a Deleuzian Existentialism," presented as plenary at Performativity and Creativity in Modern Cultures: An Interdisciplinary Conference, Prague, November 22, 2019.
3. "Deleuze and Infinitism," presented at University of Vienna, Vienna, October 11, 2019. Followed by full day seminar on *Truth and Relevance*, October 12.
4. "With What Must Philosophy Begin?" presented as part of panel at SEP-FEP conference, Royal Holloway, University of London, August 29, 2019.
5. "Deleuze and Infinitism," plenary at Deleuze and Guattari Studies Conference, July 3, 2019.
6. "Reading Problems: Literacy and the Dynamics of Thinking," presented as invited colloquium speaker at Purdue University Philosophy Department, April 4, 2018.
7. "Creative Cultures and Coordination Problems," presented as invited talk to Center for Study of Scottish Philosophy, Princeton Theological Seminary, March 9, 2018.
8. "Deleuze, Lewis, and the Ontological Argument," presented as invited panel to Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy, Memphis, October 19, 2017.
9. "Money and Value: Towards a Deleuzian Economic Theory," presented as invited talk to Copenhagen Business School, Copenhagen, April 28, 2017.
10. "A Grammar of Events," presented as invited colloquium speaker at University of Memphis, Memphis, February 27, 2017.
11. "Tamed Affect: A Deleuzian Theory of Moral Sentiments," presented at Toward A Minor Ethics: Deleuzian Variations workshop, University of Guelph, May 28, 2016.
12. "Primacy of Deception," presented as invited lecture for Judgment in Twentieth Century French Thought workshop, University of Dundee, April 2, 2016.
13. "Deleuze's Peircean Realism," presented for invited panel at Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy Conference, Atlanta, October 9, 2015.

14. "Becoming-animal and Doing Metaphysics," presented as series of lectures at Deleuze Studies in Asia Conference," Manipal University, May 29-June 2, 2015.
15. "A Dog's Life: Thought, Symbols, and Concepts," presented as invited lecture to Whitehead Research Project, Seventh International Conference, December 5, 2014.
16. "What is Philosophy?" presented as series of lectures at Deleuze Studies in Asia Conference, Osaka University, June 1 - June 3, 2014.
17. Experiments in Thinking: An Essay of Smith's Essays on Deleuze," presented as invited commenter on Daniel Smith's Essays on Deleuze at SPEP, Eugene Oregon, October 24, 2013.
18. "The Ritornello in Philosophy: or, on Composing Deleuzo-Guattarian Concepts," presented as Plenary at the First International Deleuze Studies in Asia Conference, June 2013.
19. "The Far End of the Particular: Deleuzian Metaphysics and the Transcendental Illusion," invited talk at Deleuzian Metaphysics Workshop, University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium, April 12, 2013.
20. "On the Road to Nowhere: Creating Concepts and the Political Vocation of Philosophy," presented as invited paper for Author meets Critics symposium on Paul Patton's Deleuzian Concepts, at Pacific APA, San Francisco, March 27, 2013.
21. "Repetition and the Laws of Nature: Deleuze and the Spirit of Science," presented as Plenary at Fifth Annual Deleuze Studies Conference, New Orleans, June 27, 2012.
22. "Conceiving Things," presented as Plenary at the Fourth International Deleuze Studies Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 28, 2011.
23. "What is a Concept?" presented as invited series of lectures at Fifth Annual Deleuze Camp, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 20-24, 2011.
24. "Between Realism and Antirealism: Deleuzian Metaphysics in the Style of Whitehead," presented as invited paper to the Fourth International Conference in association with the Whitehead Research Project, Claremont, California, December 3, 2010.
25. "Modes of Violence: Whitehead, Deleuze, and the Displacement of Neoliberalism," presented as invited paper to the Third International Whitehead Research Project, Claremont, California, December 4, 2009.
26. "Between Realism and Anti-Realism: Deleuze and the Spinozist Tradition in Philosophy." Presented at Deleuze in Context Workshop as invited speaker, University of Dundee, September 24, 2010.
27. "Whistle While You Work: Deleuze and the Spirit of Capitalism," presented as Plenary at the Second International Deleuze Studies Conference, Cologne, Germany, August 9, 2009.
28. "From Commonplace to Common Cause: Deleuze, Natural Rights and the Image of Politics," presented as Plenary at the First International Deleuze Studies Conference, Cardiff, Wales, August 12, 2008.
29. "Fear of Politics: Deleuze, Whitehead, and the Truth of Badiou," presented as invited paper to the First International Conference in association with the Whitehead Research Project, Claremont, California, December 7, 2007.
30. "Problems in History: Truth, Creativity, and Social Multiplicities," presented as a Research Seminar at the Royal Institute of Philosophy, University of Dundee, September 27, 2006.

#### **PhD External Examining**

- (2009) Andrew Piskun, "Transformation in Knowledge: The Aristotelian Concepts of Actuality and potentiality and the Cartesian Model," University of Tasmania, Supervisor: Professor Jeffrey Malpas.
- (2010) Brian Smith, "Philosophies of the Event: the Continuing Problems of Freedom and Subjectivity," University of Dundee, Supervisor: Professor James Williams
- (2016) Scott McBride, "Empiricism and Apprenticeship: structure and method in the works of Deleuze," University of New South Wales, Supervisor: Professor Simon Lumsden
- (2019) Mahsa Foroughi, "Temporal Experiences of Architecture through the Lens of Cinema: Deleuze's Time-Image, Architectural Constructions, and the Fourth Dimension in Andrei Tarkovsky's Films," Griffith University, Supervisor: Professor Amanda Howell
- (2019) James Davies, "Three analytic philosophy of mind debates and a Deleuzian intervention: Folk Psychology, Personal Identity and Free Will," University of Dundee, Supervisor: Dr. Dominic Smith
- (2019) Thomas Waterton, "Can Richard Rorty's Cultural Politics Deal with Epistemic Injustice? A Feminist Critique of Rorty and a Defense of Deleuzian Empiricism," Royal Holloway, University of London, Supervisors: Dr. Henry Somers-Hall and Dr. Michael Bacon. (I served as internal examiner for this thesis since I was Visiting Professor at RHUL at the time).

### **Affiliations/Memberships**

Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy  
The American Philosophical Association  
International Association for Philosophy and Literature

### **Editorial Boards and Committees**

Edinburgh University Press - advisory editor  
*Deleuze and Guattari Studies* - Editorial Board  
*Analysis and Metaphysics* - Editorial Board  
*Review of Contemporary Philosophy* - Editorial Board  
Whitehead Research Project (Claremont Graduate School) - invited research member  
Philosophy and Phenomenological Research - peer reviewer  
Series Editor, with Paul Livingston and James Williams. *Intersections*, Edinburgh University Press

### **Conference Organization**

Convener and Organizer of Fifth International Deleuze Studies Conference and Workshop, New Orleans, LA, June 18-27, 2012 - <http://deleuze2012.com>

### **Public Professional Contributions**

Co-blogger and frequent contributor to New APPS blog - <http://www.newappsblog.com>