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- Christopher Haley, for study of French at Institut Catholique de Paris,
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- Christopher Mountenay, to enroll in a Goethe Institute in Dresden.

Contributions to the Polansky Fund can be made directly to the department: c/o Chair of Philosophy, Duquesne University, 600 Forbes Ave., Pittsburgh PA 15282.

We welcome any news from alumni. Let us know what you have been doing by contacting Joan Thompson, thompson@duq.edu.

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Justin Hashash was consulted, and is quoted several times, in Jim Frederick’s recent book Black Hearts: One Platoon’s Descent into Melancholy Options of Blind Acquiescence or Spasmodic and Unreasoning Rebellion, as a model.” Faculty Scholarship Highlights Dr. Jennifer Bates’ monograph, Hegel and Shakespeare on Moral Imagination, is forthcoming with SUNY Press this fall. Dr. Bates also has been integral in the formation of the Duquesne Academic Sustainability Committee and is on its general committee. Dr. Fred Evans’ recent monograph, The Multivoiced Body, will be featured in an author meets critics session at the upcoming SREP conference in Montreal this fall. Dr. Evans spent two months last summer working on projects in South America. In 2008 he taught in Ecuador. Dr. Patrick Miller’s Becoming God: Pure Reason in Early Greek Philosophy will be published by Continuum in 2011. Dr. Ronald Polansky co-presented a paper, with graduate student David Hoinski, entitled “Why Do the Gods Have Horses in Plato’s Phaedrus,” at the recent West Coast Plato Conference in the University of California San Diego. Dr. Tom Rockmore’s monograph, Kant and Phenomenology, will be published with University of Chicago Press. He is finishing another semester of teaching at the University of Beijing. Dr. Rockmore’s monograph, Marx After Marxism, is being translated into Russian, underwritten by a grant from the Russian Humanities Foundation. Dr. Rockmore will also be one of the plenary speakers at a UNESCO-sponsored meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan, September 26–30, 2010. The theme of the meeting is “Cultural Diversity and Dialogue.” Dr. Lanei Rodemeyer was a visiting scholar from April 26 to May 17, 2009, at the Centre for Gender Research at Uppsala University in Sweden. She was invited by the Body Embodiment research group, and as part of her stay gave a presentation/discussion on one of the chapters of her manuscript on transsexuality and transsexuality and transmascism. Dr. Daniel Selcer published Philosophy and the Book: Early Modern Figures of Material Inscription (London: Continuum, 2010). Dr. George Yancy edited The Center Must Not Hold: White Women Philosophers on the Whiteness of Philosophy (Lanham: Lexington Books, 2010). Scholars in Residence Dr. Habib Tüker finished his term as a post-doctorate student from the Faith University in Istanbul. He will begin his teaching duties in Turkey at Mardin Artuklu University in the fall. Here’s what he wrote recently about the position: “The university is on the border of Syria. The inhabitants of the city are Arabs and Kurds. It is actually an ancient Syrian city and important for Christianity. Archeologists digging there still find different versions of Bible. I have never visited the city, but a friend said that the city has authentic, impressive beauty. This area is not well developed, neglected because of its ethnic structure and fears of terror.” “Recently, the ruling government took a different stance and encouraged the development of the area. The university was founded for these purposes in 2007, and it has the first department of Kurdish language and literature ever founded in Turkey. The educational language of the university is Turkish, however. The philosophy department has no students and only one assistant professor. Indeed it is an advantage for me, for we can form the university as we wish. Of course, it takes long time to become a real department. I want this department to focus on phenomenology and critical theory. I want it to benefit from Duquesne as a model.” Dr. Bernie Freyberg, a graduate of our Ph.D. program in 1977, who taught at Slippery Rock University for many years, will be a scholar in residence of the Department. He has just returned from teaching for three years at Koç University in Istanbul. Yuan Jun-ya is a visiting scholar from the University of Beijing working in collaboration with Dr. Tom Rockmore on a dissertation exploring the topic of alienation in the writings of Karl Marx. Undergraduate News The Undergraduate Philosophy Society hosted its second annual Undergraduate Philosophy Conference in April 2010. Participants came from Westminster, St. Vincent and John Carroll. Three philosophy majors have been admitted to the 2010-2011 Philosophy Honors Program for their senior year. Louis Butler will write on the self in Heidegger (directed by Patrick Miller), Timothy Rothhaar will write on Gabriel Marcel (directed by Thérèse Bonini), and Michael Savakinas will write on Catholic Philosophy (directed by James Swidmak). Silverman Phenomenology Center The Center’s annual symposium took place February 18-19, 2010. It was titled Phenomenology, Cognition, and Neuroscience, and the speakers were Evan Thompson (Toronto), Shaun Gallagher (Central Florida), Dan Zahavi (Copenhagen) and Catherine Malabou (Burlalo). Next year’s theme will be phenomenology and music. Details of next year’s speakers will be forthcoming on the Phenomenology Center’s website: www.duq.edu/phenomenology/
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