

*Paul Hovda*  
*Curriculum Vitae*

**Areas of Specialization**

Metaphysics, Logic, Philosophy of Language

**Areas of Competence**

History of Philosophy (particularly Ancient and Early Modern Metaphysics and Epistemology)

**Education**

B.A., University of Colorado at Boulder, summa cum laude, with majors in Philosophy and Mathematics, awarded June 1992.

Ph.D., Philosophy, University of California at Los Angeles, March 2001.

**Academic and other Positions**

Associate Professor of Philosophy and Humanities, Reed College (2008–)

Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Humanities, Reed College (2002–2008)

Lecturer, Yale University, (2001–2002)

Software Engineer, Infoservice, Venice, Italy, Summer 2001

**Publications**

Semantics as information about semantic values. (forthcoming in *Philosophy and Phenomenological Research* issue as part of symposium on Kit Fine's *Semantic Relationism*.)

(2009) Review of Kathrin Koslicki's *The Structure of Objects*. *Notre Dame Philosophical Reviews* 2009 (4).

(2009) What is classical mereology? *Journal of Philosophical Logic* 38(1).

(2009) Kit Fine. In *A Companion to Metaphysics, Second Edition*, Kim, Sosa, and Rosenkrantz, eds. Blackwell.

(2008) Quantifying weak emergence. *Minds and Machines* 18(4).

## **Presentations**

Comments on Gillian Russell's "Indexicals, Context-Sensitivity, and the Failure of Implication." Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, 2010.

"The depth of the problem of the many." Auburn Philosophy Conference, Auburn University, February 2010.

"The significance of the problem of the many." University of Kansas, February 2010.

"Mereology and the problem of the many." Meeting of the Central Division of the American Philosophical Association, February 2010.

"Do we really exist?" Reed College, October 2009.

"The Problem of the Many," Lewis and Clark College, Fall 2007.

Comments on Matti Eklund's "Existence, Quantification and Shallow Ontology," 2007 Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, March 2007.

"The Problem of the Many," Occidental College, March 2007.

Comments on Michael Nelson's "Breakin' the Law," 2006 Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, March 2006.

Comments on Kit Fine's "Kripke's Puzzle About Belief," The Third Steven Humphrey Excellence in Philosophy Conference: "Advances in the Theory of Meaning", February 2006.

"Two defenses of Composition as Identity," 2005 Western Canada Philosophy Conference, October 2005. (Also delivered at Reed College September 2005.)

Comments on Ted Sider's "Parthood," 2005 Inland Northwest Philosophy Conference, March 2005.

Comments on Michael O'Rourke's "mmm... Pudding." 2004 Northwest Philosophy Conference. Fall 2004.

"David Kaplan's Logical Work", Fall 2003, UCLA "Kaplanfest."

"Vagueness and the World", Spring 2003, Lewis and Clark College.

"Cross-Numerical Identity", Fall 2002, 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Philosophy

Conference.

### **Other Conference Attendance**

Session chair, Meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association, April 2010.

Invited participant, Philosophical Logic Conference, Princeton University, May 2009.

Invited participant, Metaphysical Mayhem, Rutgers, Summer 2008.

### **Professional service**

Reviewer for:

*Journal of Philosophical Logic*

*Noûs*

*Philosophical Studies*

*Synthese*

and others.

Member of Program Committee for Pacific Division of the American Philosophical Association (2009–).

Sole organizer, 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Philosophy Conference, Fall 2003.

### **Recent Awards**

Paid Research Leave, Reed College 2009–10.

Paid Leave Award, Reed College, 2005.

Ruby Grant (with Mahrad Almotahari), Reed College, Summer 2004. Vagueness and Metaphysics.