

# The Chronicle: History & Philosophy Department Newsletter

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## Faculty Highlights

**David Jones, Ph.D.**

David Jones is the editor of the academic journal *Comparative and Continental Philosophy*, which is one of journals sponsored by our department. Volume 14.1 was recently published, with its preface, written by Jones, titled *Defacing Eternal Re-Coming*.

**Paul Dover, Ph.D.**

Paul Dover was invited to participate at the Georgia Humanities Symposium, which took place on October 14<sup>th</sup> at the Savannah Cultural Arts Center. The symposium was sponsored by the Georgia Humanities Council and the Willson Center at the University of Georgia.

**David Parker, Ph.D.**

On November 29<sup>th</sup>, David Parker was featured in *The Conversation*, which is a “nonprofit, independent news organization that publishes articles on the events, discoveries and issues that matter today”. His article, titled “‘Y’all,’ that most Southern of Southernisms, is going mainstream – and it’s about time”, can be found here: [https://theconversation.com/yall-that-most-southern-of-southernisms-is-going-mainstream-and-its-about-time-193265#comment\\_2885203](https://theconversation.com/yall-that-most-southern-of-southernisms-is-going-mainstream-and-its-about-time-193265#comment_2885203).

**Marianne Holdzkom, Ph.D.**

Marianne Holdzkom was a keynote speaker at the Georgia Academic Decathlon Fall workshop, held at the KSU Center back in September. The theme for this year's competition was the American Revolution. Holdzkom's presentation, "Two Dates," introduced high school students to the idea that the American Revolution was not just a moment in 1776, but rather a long process as the colonists went from being proud English citizens to revolutionaries.

## Student Highlights

**Kaitlynn Boyle  
(Philosophy Major)**

On Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, Kaitlynn presented her Senior Thesis, titled “A Feminist Diagnosis of Academic Philosophy’s Eurocentrism”.

**Jade Flack (Philosophy Major)**

P.S.A. President, Student Assistant & Philosophy Tutor Jade Flack will be graduating this semester. Congratulations to her and all of our other Fall’ 22 Graduates!

## Student Orgs

### Philosophy Student Association-Guest Speaker

On Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, the Philosophy Student Association hosted Dr. Rick Elmore of Appalachian State University. Dr. Elmore’s lecture was titled “*While there is a soul in prison, I am not free*”- *An Introduction to Critical Prison Studies*. Below is the abstract:

"There is perhaps no more succinct statement of the ethos of Critical Prison Studies, than political activist and socialist Eugene Debs’ famous claim that “while there is a soul in prison, I am not free.” The goal of this talk is to introduce the field of Critical Prison Studies, a field that argues not only for the abolition of prisons but for a rethinking of the nature of crime, policing, justice, inequality, and harm reduction."



**History Club:** The History Club’s last trip of the semester was to the Atlanta History Center, which they visited on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## Alumni Highlights

### Derrick Tucker

Derrick Tucker, a 2011 graduate in HIED, was awarded Cobb County Middle School Teacher of the Year. Derrick teaches at Awtrey Middle School and says the following about teaching:

“I love teaching because it is an opportunity to be able to meet different kids. There is just something about being able to talk to students, to see how they can grow, how you can help them, and be a part of their life.”

Tucker has been with Cobb since 2015, and shares the following advice with others who are looking to become teachers: “I would encourage anyone who has the opportunity to apply for the Cobb County School District to come and work with us. Cobb has been great just from the people that I’ve worked with and the relationships. I feel there is no place like it.”

## Upcoming Events

### Next Quarter’s Brown Bags:

January 19<sup>th</sup>: Steffi Woodard

February 16<sup>th</sup>: Jennifer Dickey

March 16<sup>th</sup>: Eric Oakley