

# Friday Bulletin, September 13, 2013

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## Upcoming Lectures

**Norman Wirzba**, Professor of Theology and Ecology at Duke Divinity School, will present a lecture entitled “Theological Reflection on Justice and the Land” on Thursday, September 19, 2013, in room 101 Little Hall. This event is co-sponsored by the Christian Study Center of Gainesville and the Department of Religion.

**Cynthia Packert**, Christian A. Johnson Professor, and Chair of the Department of the History of Art and Architecture, Middlebury College, will give a lecture on “‘The Lord’s Own Temple-Museum:’ Memory, Myth, and Monuments in Swaminarayan Hinduism.” It will take place at the Harn Museum on October 19, 2013, at 3:00pm. See prior bulletin for details.

**Cynthia Packert** will also hold an informal meeting with graduate students on Friday, October 18, 2013, from 3:00-4:30pm, in Anderson Room 117. See prior bulletin for details.

**Daniel Levine** (University of Michigan) will be giving a lecture entitled “The Argentine Pope and the Future of Religion in Latin America” on November 5, 2013, at 6:00pm in Smathers Library (East). He will also offer a workshop-brown bag lunch for faculty and graduate students at noon in 117 Anderson. The theme of the workshop will be “Studying Religion and Politics in Latin America: Methods, Theories, and Challenges.”

## Publications

Professor **Bron Taylor’s** article, “Is Green Religion an Oxymoron?: Biocultural Evolution and Earthly Spirituality,” has been published in Marc Bekoff, ed., *Ignoring Nature No More: The Case for Compassionate Conservation* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2013), pp. 353-360.

## Deadlines

Our department offers matching support for travel funds (up to \$250) for graduate students. In order to apply for these funds, you must have applied for support from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, International Studies, GSA, or any other external source. The application for departmental travel funds can be found at

[http://sites.clas.ufl.edu/religion/files/Religion\\_Travel\\_Support\\_Application.pdf](http://sites.clas.ufl.edu/religion/files/Religion_Travel_Support_Application.pdf)

Please submit this application by email to Annie by **Monday, September 16, 2013, at 4:00pm.**

The **Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund** will continue for 2013-2014. The deadline for receipt of proposals in the CLAS office is Friday, October 18, 2013. No hard-copy announcement will be distributed this year. Instead, you will find the Announcement, Guidelines for Fund Eligibility, and Proposal Preparation, Cover Sheet, Budget Justification and Budget

Pages at <http://www.clas.ufl.edu/forms/humanities.html>. The forms should be completed according to the guidelines provided and submitted to CLAS. Please submit your applications by email to Annie by 4:00pm on **Friday, October 11, 2013**.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences invites students pursuing the Ph.D. to apply for **dissertation fellowships** for the spring or summer terms of 2014. Students will be provided with a stipend of **\$5000** per term and a waiver of tuition fees. The intent of the awards is to free students from the demands of a teaching assistantship. This year there will be a separate category of small awards. These will be selected from among applicants who do not receive the full awards and whose dissertation project can be completed with a small award. The small awards will not include a waiver of tuition fees.

In order to be eligible to hold a fellowship, students must have already been admitted to candidacy before January 1, 2014. U.S. citizens and Permanent Residents must be Florida residents (for tuition waiver purposes) by October 11, 2013 to be eligible. (No such eligibility restrictions apply to international students.) Applicants should submit proposals to their department.

The proposals should include:

1. A cover sheet <http://www.clas.ufl.edu/forms/index.html>
2. A 1 to 2 page description (single spaced) of the dissertation project and the work to be conducted with the dissertation fellowship. (These fellowships can be used to fund travel to archives.)
3. Two letters of endorsement from the faculty, with one being from the chair of the dissertation committee

In order to allow the Graduate Studies Committee to rank applications, please submit your application by email to Annie by 4:00pm on **Monday, October 7, 2013**.