

NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

**The Logic and Cognitive Science Initiative
("LACSI")
CONFERENCE ON ONTOLOGY
September 25–26, 2009**

PROGRAM AND OTHER INFORMATION

PROGRAM

Friday, September 25

2:00 – 3:30 ***Lexical and Ontological Categories***
Zoltán Gendler Szabó, Yale University
Moderator: Mark Heller, Syracuse University

3:45 – 5:15 ***Relational versus Constituent Ontologies***
Peter van Inwagen, University of Notre Dame
Moderator: Karen Bennett, Cornell University

6:30 Conference Dinner: Venue to be announced

Saturday, September 26

9:00 – 12:00 ***Symposium: Common Upper Ontology***
Barry Smith, University at Buffalo, SUNY
Christopher Menzel, Texas A&M University
Moderator: Paul W. Humphreys, University of Virginia

12:15 Lunch: Conference Venue

1:30 – 3:00 ***Three Lines of Investigation at the Metaphysics Research Lab***
Edward N. Zalta, Stanford University
Moderator: Delia Graff Fara, Princeton University

3:15 – 4:45 ***On Doing Ontology Without Metaphysics***
Achille C. Varzi, Columbia University
Moderator: Yuri V. Balashov, University of Georgia

VENUE

The conference will be held on NC State's North Campus. The exact location will be announced during the second half of August.

CONFERENCE FEES

Registration fee (including Saturday lunch):	\$25 (standard) or \$10 (full-time students)
Fee for optional conference dinner:	\$55

REGISTRATION

Preregistration is required. For a registration form and instructions, please see the following page.

ACCOMMODATION

Two hotels, both within easy walking distance of the NC State campus, are offering a special rate of \$85 per night plus tax (single or double occupancy) to those attending the conference. The hotels and reservation procedures are as follows:

Holiday Inn Brownstone

(<http://www.brownstonehotel.com/>)

The deadline for reservations to secure the special conference rate is September 3, 2009.

Phone reservations: Call either (919) 828-0811 or 1-800-331-7919 (toll free) Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and mention the special rate code "Ontology 2009."

Web reservations: (This option is available only to conference participants who do NOT plan to arrive before September 24 or to leave after September 26.) Complete the form at the following URL:

<http://www.ihg.com/h/d/HI/1/en/rates/RDUHS?groupBookingCode=PHI&IATano=99801505>

Velvet Cloak Inn

(<http://www.velvetcloakinn.com/>)

When making your reservation, mention that you will be attending the NC State Ontology Conference.

Phone reservations: Call either (919) 828-0333 or 1-888-828-0335 (toll free) Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Email reservations: reservations@velvetcloakinn.com

ORGANIZATION AND SUPPORT

This conference has been organized by the NC State Logic and Cognitive Science Initiative Steering Committee in consultation with Christopher Menzel (Texas A&M University) and Gary H. Merrill (GlaxoSmithKline Semantic Technologies Group).

Logic and Cognitive Science Initiative Steering Committee: Michael Pendlebury (Chair), David D. Auerbach, John W. Carroll, Catherine M. Driscoll, Ronald P. Endicott, Johannes Hafner.

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REGISTRATION FORM

To register, please print, complete, and mail this form to the following address together with a check for the required conference fees:

Ontology Conference
Department of Philosophy and Religion
North Carolina State University
Campus Box 8103
Raleigh NC 27695-8103

Checks should be made out to North Carolina State University. Please enter either "LACSI" or "Ontology Conference" on the memorandum line. We regret that we cannot handle payments by other means.

The number of places available for open registration at this conference is limited, and preregistration is required. Before completing and submitting this form, please contact Michael Pendlebury at mjpendle@ncsu.edu to check whether a place is still available. Registration forms postmarked after August 28, 2009 cannot be accepted.

Name: _____

Institution: _____

Postal Address: _____

Email Address: _____ **Telephone Number:** _____

Payment Attached (please enter applicable items):

Registration fee (required)

Either \$25 (standard) or \$10 (full-time students*) \$ _____

Conference dinner (optional): \$55 \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

* Study program if a full-time student: _____