

**Benjamin Isaac Goldberg**  
*Curriculum Vitae*

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**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Early Modern Philosophy, Philosophy of Science

**AREAS OF COMPETENCE**

History of Philosophy, History of Science/Medicine, Feminist Philosophy of Science

**EDUCATION**

**University of Pittsburgh**

*Ph.D.*, History and Philosophy of Science, Expected 2010

*M.A.*, History and Philosophy of Science, June 2007.

*M.A. Comprehensive Papers:*

History of Science (Advisors: Sandra Mitchell, James Lennox): "Complementarity, Chemistry, and God: Regnier de Graaf on the Generative Organs."

Philosophy of Science (Advisors: Peter Machamer, Edouard Machery): "Evidence and Assumptions: Defending Longino's Account of Underdetermination."

**Carleton College**

*B.A.*, Philosophy, *Magna Cum Laude*, June 2004

*B.A. Thesis:* "Logico-Normative vs. Pragmatic Explanation"

**Oxford University (England), St. Catherine's College**

Visiting Student, September 2002 – June 2003. Department of Philosophy.

**HONORS and AWARDS**

2004 – 2005: Andrew Mellon Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh

Summer 2006: Society for the Social History of Medicine Student Travel Bursary

2006 – 2007: HPS Departmental Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh

2008 – 2009: HPS Departmental Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh

**PRESENTATIONS**

1. "From Descartes to Voltaire." Lecture given at: Introduction to Western Thought (undergraduate class at University of Wisconsin, Marshfield, Prof. Jeffery Kleiman),
2. "Early Modern Reproductive Anatomy and the One-Sex Model: A Case Study of the work of Regnier de Graaf." Given at: The Joint Atlantic Seminar in the History of Biology (Johns Hopkins), March 24- March 25, 2006.

3. "Early Modern Reproductive Anatomy and the One-Sex Model: A Case Study of the work of Regnier de Graaf." Given at: The Bertotti Graduate Student Conference (Virginia Tech), March 31- April 1, 2006.
4. "Early Modern Reproductive Anatomy and the One-Sex Model: A Case Study of the work of Regnier de Graaf." Given at: Sussman Graduate Student Conference (Rutgers), April 15, 2006.
5. "Regnier de Graaf on the Generative Organs." Given at: Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science (York University, Canada), May 29- May 31, 2006.
6. "Regnier de Graaf's Work on Sexual Anatomy." Poster Presentation. Given at: Society for the Social History of Medicine Conference (University of Warwick, UK), June 28 – June 30, 2006
7. "The Power of God and the Power of Man: Regnier de Graaf and the Construction of Women's Bodies." Given at: the American Historical Association Annual Meeting (Atlanta, GA), January 4-7, 2007.
8. "Explanatory Language in Darwin's Origin." Given at: Understanding and Explanation: Ninth Annual Pitt/CMU Graduate Philosophy Conference (Carnegie Mellon University), March 24, 2007.
9. "Leibniz, Mechanisms, and Machines." Given at: Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science (University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada), June 3-5, 2008.
10. "Harvey and the New Science." To be Given at: History of Science Society (University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA), November 6-9.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

1. Introduction to Philosophy of Science, Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh, September – December 2005: Designed and taught three recitation (discussion) sections
2. Mind and Medicine: Evolutionary Psychology, Teaching Assistant, University of Pittsburgh, January – April 2006: Designed and taught four recitation (discussion) sections
3. Myth and Science, Teaching Fellow (primary instructor), University of Pittsburgh, September – December 2007: Designed and taught a 2.5-hour lecture based class
4. Magic, Medicine, and Science, Teaching Fellow (primary instructor), University of Pittsburgh, January – April 2008: Designed and taught a 2.5-hour lecture based class

### **LANGUAGES**

English, French, Italian (beginner), Latin, Spanish

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Co-organizer of the 7<sup>th</sup> International Pitt/CMU Graduate Student Conference  
 Paper Reviewer, 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> International Pitt/CMU Graduate Student Conferences  
 Invited Commenter on "Relativism as Science Studies Methodology," 10<sup>th</sup> International Pitt/CMU Graduate Student Conference

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Philosophy of Science Association (2004 – Present)  
History of Science Society (2005 – Present)  
Society for the Social History of Medicine (2005 – Present)  
American Historical Association (2005 – Present)

## **REFERENCES**

James Lennox, Department of HPS, University of Pittsburgh  
Peter Machamer, Department of HPS, University of Pittsburgh  
Paolo Palmieri, Department of HPS, University of Pittsburgh  
Laura Ruetsche, Department of Philosophy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

## **COURSEWORK COMPLETED (Spring 2008)**

1. Advanced Logic I (Philosophy) – Anil Gupta;
2. Advanced Logic II: Gödel (Philosophy) – Anil Gupta;
3. Aristotle's Natural Science (HPS) – Allan Gotthelf and James Lennox;
4. Carnap and Reichenbach (HPS) – Clark Glymour;
5. Descartes (HPS) – Peter Machamer and J.E. McGuire;
6. Early Modern Philosophy of Science: Locke and Berkeley (HPS) – J.E. McGuire;
7. Empiricism (Philosophy) – Anil Gupta;
8. Epistemology of Experimental Practices (HPS) – Edouard Machery and Sandra Mitchell;
9. Gender and Science (Philosophy) – Laura Ruetsche;
10. Gender, Race, and Ethnicity (History) – Lara Putnam and Bruce Vernerde;
11. Genesis and Geology (HPS) – Paolo Palmieri;
12. Harvey's Natural Philosophy (HPS) (audit) – Jim Lennox;
13. Historiography (History) – Alejandro de la Fuente;
14. Historiography of Science (HPS) – Peter Machamer;
15. History of Science I Core Seminar (HPS)– Paolo Palmieri;
16. History of Science II Core Seminar (HPS)– Paolo Palmieri;
17. Leibniz (Philosophy) – Nicholas Rescher;
18. Perception (HPS) (audit) – Peter Machamer and Edouard Machery;
19. Philosophy of Science Core Seminar (HPS) – Gordon Belot;
20. Realism (HPS) – John Earman and Laura Ruetsche;
21. Recent Topics in Philosophy of Science (HPS) – Clark Glymour;
22. Rhetoric(s) of Science (Communications) – John Lyne and J.E. McGuire;
23. Topics in Philosophy of Physics: Symmetries (HPS) (audit) – John Norton;