

# The Academic Program at the Center for Contemplative Mind in Society

The Center for Contemplative Mind in Society believes that a fully democratic society requires a system of higher education that trains students for reflective insight as well as critical thinking. We believe that the cultivation of mindfulness amid the busy-ness of contemporary life can open up the possibility for developing new wisdom through introspection, to complement existing intellectual and analytic undertakings. We also believe that contemplative practices can help shape the direction of social action, contributing to an integration of the ethical and the political, the spiritual and the practical. The undergraduate college is one place where these issues should be thoughtfully explored.

In academia, contemplative practices have rarely been explored for their impact on the development of thought or pedagogy. By sponsoring the Contemplative Fellowship Program and annual Summer Sessions for Contemplative Curriculum Development, we hope to establish the ground for examining contemplation not only as a category of religious and cultural practice, but as a means of intellectual and pedagogic revitalization and change.



## **Summer Sessions for Contemplative Curriculum Development**

These annual symposia enable participants to return to their classrooms with a deeper understanding of the practice of contemplative teaching. Participants examine pedagogical issues, including the relationship between course content and contemplative practice, as well as practical issues such as evaluation, grading, and instructional techniques.

## **Contemplative Fellowship Program**

Administered by the American Council of Learned Societies and made possible by funding from the Fetzer Institute, the Contemplative Fellowship Program now offers two types of Fellowships which seek to restore and renew the critical contribution that contemplative practices can make to teaching and scholarship.

**Contemplative Practice Fellowships** support individual or collaborative research leading to the development of courses and teaching materials.. These fellowships are designed to advance scholarship in the field, to encourage a recognition of the role of contemplation in intellectual life, to inform educational practice, and to enhance course design.

**Contemplative Program Development Fellowships** support groups of faculty and administrators who are developing curricular initiatives, concentrations in contemplative studies, coordinated networks of courses and faculty, and the creation of interdisciplinary communities of contemplative practice and inquiry.

For more information on these initiatives, please visit our Academic Program website,  
<http://www.contemplativemind.org/programs/academic>

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## 2006 Contemplative Practice Fellowship Recipients

### **Marcia Brennan**

Associate Professor, Art History and Jeffrey Kripal  
Professor, Religious Studies  
Rice University  
"Modern Art and Mystical Experience"

### **Santiago Colas**

Associate Professor, Spanish and Latin American and Comparative Literature  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
"Stopping and Reading: Zen Contemplative Practices and Literary Study"

### **Vaishali Mamgain**

Associate Professor, Economics  
University of Southern Maine  
"Will I Be Happy? Will I Be Rich? Contemplating the Connections between Happiness and Economics"

### **Graham Parkes**

Professor, Philosophy  
University of Hawaii, Manoa  
"Hellenistic Contemplative Practices and Zen Mindfulness"

### **Allen Stairs**

Associate Professor, Philosophy  
University of Maryland, College Park  
"Multiple Perspectives on Vipassana Meditation: Experience, Psychology and Philosophy"

## 2006 Curriculum Development Fellowship Recipients

### **William Arney**

Unranked Faculty Member, Sociology and **Sarah Williams**

Unranked Faculty Member, Feminist Theory  
Evergreen State College  
"Sensing Sophia in Illich's Vineyard: Developing Evergreen's Curriculum through Collegiality"

### **Heather Hathaway**

Associate Dean, English and **Anthony Peressini**  
Associate Professor, Philosophy and **Michael Vater**  
Assistant Professor, Philosophy  
Marquette University  
"Branching Out: Expanding Contemplative Horizons through Faculty and Course Development at Marquette University"

### **Patricia Wallace**

Professor, English  
Vassar College  
"Creativity through Contemplative Practices: An Interdisciplinary Faculty Development Seminar"

## 2005 Contemplative Practice Fellowship Recipients

### **Amy Cheng**

Associate Professor of Studio Art  
State University of New York, College at New Paltz  
"Excavating the Creative Process"

### **Mitchell S. Green**

Professor of Philosophy  
University of Virginia  
"Subtle Self-Knowledge"

### **David G. Haskell**

Associate Professor of Biology  
University of the South  
"Food and Hunger: Contemplation and Action"

### **David M. Levy**

Professor of Information Science  
University of Washington  
"Information and Contemplation"

### **Shauna Lin Shapiro**

Assistant Professor of Counseling Psychology  
Santa Clara University  
"Development of academic course on the use of meditation in psychotherapy, focusing on theory, research, and practice"

## 2005 Curriculum Development Fellowship Recipients

### **Geraldine DeLuca**

Professor of English and **David J. Forbes**  
Assistant Professor of Education  
City University of New York, Brooklyn College  
"A Lotus Grows in Brooklyn: nurturing a contemplative educators' network on an urban campus of public higher education"

### **Harold D. Roth**

Professor of Religious Studies & East Asian Studies  
Brown University  
"Towards a concentration in contemplative studies at Brown University"

### **Joseph W. Weiss**

Professor of Management  
Bentley College  
"Introducing contemplative practices into the Bentley College curriculum"

## 2002 Fellowship Recipients

### **Deborah J. Haynes**

Professor of Fine Arts  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
"Contemplation and the Practice of Art"

### **Robyn P. Hunt**

Associate Professor of Drama and **J. Steven Pearson**  
Professor of Drama  
University of Washington  
"The Quest for Physical Expression: Slow Tempo and Silence"

### **John D. Lyons**

Professor of French  
University of Virginia  
"The Practice of Imagination: Embodied Thought in Early Modern France"

### **Charles T. Mathewes**

Assistant Professor of Religious Studies  
University of Virginia  
"Doubt as Contemplative Practice"

### **Sol Miguel-Prendes**

Associate Professor of Spanish Literature  
Wake Forest University  
"Contemplative Practices and Literary Creation"

### **Steven R. Nuss**

Assistant Professor of Music  
Colby College  
"Contemplating Music Through Contemplative Practice"

## 2001 Fellowship Recipients

### **Donald L. Hanlon**

Associate Professor of Architecture  
University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee  
"Toward a Contemplative Architecture"

### **Daniel C. Holland**

Assistant Professor of Psychology  
University of Arkansas, Little Rock  
"Contemplative Practice, Health Promotion, and Disability on Campus: An Experiential Seminar in Partnership with Disability Support Services"

### **Dalia Judowitz**

Professor of French Literature  
Emory University  
"Subjects of Meditation: Spiritual vs. Rationalist Passions"

### **Alan M. Klima**

Assistant Professor of Anthropology  
Bard College  
"Meditation and Media Violence: Contemplative Practice in Thailand and the Varieties of Visual Experience"

### **Leigh E. Schmidt**

Professor of Religion  
Princeton University  
"Roads for Traveling Souls: The Making of Modern American Spirituality"

### **Susan E. Wegner**

Associate Professor of Art History  
Bowdoin College  
"Art and contemplation in Christian Europe from Hildegard of Bingen to Teresa of Avila"

## 2000 Fellowship Recipients

### **Valerie Malhotra Bentz and Jeremy J. Shapiro**

Profs. of Human and Organizational Development  
The Fielding Institute  
"Mindful Inquiry: a Meditative Introduction to the Theory and Practice of Social Science Research"

### **Gudrun Buhnemann**

Professor of Languages and Cultures of Asia  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
"Contemplative Practices in Buddhism and Hinduism: an Exploration of Meditation in its Classical and Modern Manifestations"

### **Jane M. Danielewicz**

Assistant Professor of English and Laurie Langbauer  
Professor of English  
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill  
"Reading, Re-envisioning, and Writing Women's Lives"

### **Lawrence B. Fine**

Professor of Jewish Studies  
Mount Holyoke College  
"Contemplative Practice and Human Relationships"

### **Bradford C. Grant**

Professor of Architecture  
Hampton University  
"Urban and Community Design and Contemplative Environmental Design Practice"

### **Anne Hunsaker Hawkins**

Associate Professor of Medical Humanities  
Pennsylvania State Univ. College of Medicine  
"Contemplative Practice and the Future Physician"

## 2000 Fellowship Recipients, continued

### **William J. Jackson**

Associate Professor of Religious Studies  
Indiana University - Purdue Univ., Indianapolis  
"Contemplation and Music"

### **Jared D. Kass**

Professor of Counseling and Psychology  
Lesley College  
"The Use of Contemplative Practices with Young Adults on College Campuses"

### **Candace Kaye**

Associate Professor of Education  
California State University, Long Beach  
"Reading my own Story: a Contemplation of Visual Literacy for Educators"

### **Theresa K. Kim**

Associate Professor of Theatre Arts  
State University of New York, Stony Brook  
"Meditation in Motion: the Asian Style of Acting"

### **Laurie J. Sears**

Associate Professor of Southeast Asian History  
University of Washington  
"Contemplative Practices in Java: Islam, Meditation, and the Performing Arts"

### **Barbara Sellers-Young**

Associate Professor of Theatre and Dance  
University of California, Davis  
"Contemplation, Reflection, Action: Uniting Psychological Realism with Contemplative Practice"

### **Mary Rose O'Reilly**

Professor of English  
University of Saint Thomas (MN)  
"A Contemplative Spirituality of Environmental Writing"

### **Thomas E. Peterson**

Professor of Italian  
University of Georgia  
"Contemplative Practice and Learning in Petrarch"

### **Stephen R. Prothero**

Assistant Professor of American Religion  
Boston University  
"Contemplating American Hinduism and Buddhism"

### **David B. Rothenberg**

Associate Professor of Philosophy  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
"The Reflective Technologist: From Innovation to Meditation"

### **Judith Shapiro**

Assistant Professor of International Relations  
and **Paul K. Wapner**

Associate Professor of International Politics  
American University  
"Yoga, Meditation, and Environmental Activism"

### **Alan Sponberg**

Professor of Asian Philosophy and Religion  
University of Montana  
"Virtual Contemplation: Using the Internet to Support Teaching Traditional Buddhist Meditation Techniques"

### **Nancy P. Stork**

Associate Professor of Medieval English Literature  
San Jose State University  
"Lectio Divina: Reintroduction of the Western Monastic Practice of Contemplative Reading into the Modern University"

### **Mark I. Wallace**

Associate Professor of Religion  
Swarthmore College  
"Religion, the Environment, and Contemplative Practice"

### **Craig S. Wansink**

Associate Professor of Religious Studies  
Virginia Wesleyan College  
"Contemplation in Confinement: the Autobiographical and the Prescriptive in Prison"

## 1999 Fellowship Recipients

### **Ann Cooper Albright**

Associate Professor of Dance  
Oberlin College  
"Physical Mindfulness: Embodying Contemplative Practice"

### **Francis J. Ambrosio**

Associate Professor of Philosophy  
Georgetown University  
"Dante and the Christian Imagination: Dante's Divina Commedia as Contemplative Journey"

### **Cheryl A. Banks-Smith**

Assistant Professor of Dance

and **Oliver W. Hill**

Professor of Psychology

and **Renee A. Hill**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Virginia State University

"The Path of Inner Experience"

### **Bradley S. Clough**

Assistant Professor of Asian Studies and Religion  
and **Richard H. Davis**

Associate Professor of Religion

Bard College

"Contemplative Traditions of Asia"

### **Yin Mei Critchell**

Associate Professor of Dance  
City University of New York, Queens College  
"Tai Chi as the Basis for a New Approach to Post-Modern Dance and Movement"

### **Diana Hume George**

Professor of English and Women's Studies  
Pennsylvania State University, Behrend College  
"Compassionate creativity: Meditation and Mindfulness Practice in Writing Poetry and Nonfiction"

### **John J. Gibbs**

Professor of Criminology  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania  
"Crime, Criminal Justice and Consciousness"

### **Anne C. Klein**

Professor of Religious Studies  
Rice University  
"Chants, Images, and Mythic Narratives: Tibetan Contemplative Praxis of the 'Heart Essence of the Great Expanse'"

### **Jean L. Kristeller**

Professor of Psychology  
Indiana State University  
"Contemplation in a World of Action: Experiencing the Western Mystical Tradition"

### **Patrick D. Laude**

Associate Professor of French Literature  
Georgetown University  
"Poetry and Contemplation: an Inquiry into the Theory and Practice of Poetry as a Contemplative Form of Expression"

### **Joseph V. Long**

Assistant Professor of University Studies  
Portland State University  
"Contemplation in a World of Action: Experiencing the Western Mystical Tradition"

### **Marilyn R. Nelson**

Professor of English Literature  
University of Connecticut  
"Contemplative Practice and the Muse"

### **Richard E. Olson**

Professor of Philosophy  
Adelphi University  
"Meditation and Philosophy in the Asian and Western Traditions"

### **Joel R. Primack**

Professor of Physics  
and **Nancy Ellen Abrams**  
Department of Physics  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
"Contemplating the Cosmos"

### **Leonard L. Riskin**

Professor of Law and Dispute Resolution  
University of Missouri, Columbia  
"Understanding Conflict"

### **Harold D. Roth**

Associate Professor of Religious Studies  
Brown University  
"The Theory and Practice of Buddhist Meditation in Critical Perspective"

### **Jacqueline St. Joan**

Assistant Professor of Law  
University of Denver  
"Learning from Practice: Contemplative Practice and the Practice of Law"

### **Kristine T. Utterback**

Associate Professor of Medieval History  
University of Wyoming  
"Medieval Christian Contemplation in History and Practice"

### **Ekaterini Vlahos**

Instructor in Architecture  
University of Colorado, Denver  
"Non-violent Architecture: Design with Compassion"

### **Bret Wallach**

Professor of Geography  
University of Oklahoma, Norman  
"The Power of Landscape: Place-induced Contemplation"

### **Michael E. Zimmerman**

Professor of Philosophy  
Tulane University  
"Contemplative Practice in Traditional Cultures"

## 1998 Fellowship Recipients

### David Ambuel

Assistant Professor of Philosophy  
Mary Washington College  
"Intuition in Philosophical Thought: Theories and Applications"

### Barbara Anderson-Siebert

Director, Penn State Center for Sustainability and  
Assistant Professor of Science Technology, and  
Society and

### Charles Cave

Associate Professor of Art  
Pennsylvania State University  
"Cultivating Beginner's Mind: Contemplation as Art:  
Art as Contemplation"

### Linda Bell

Professor of Psychology and Director of Training in  
Family Therapy  
University of Houston - Clear Lake  
"Contemplative Practice in Psychotherapy"

### Janet Berlo

Susan B. Anthony Professor of Gender Studies and  
Professor of Art History  
University of Rochester  
"Art and Contemplative Practice: Through the Lens  
of Gender and Culture"

### Peter Connor

Assistant Professor of French  
Barnard College  
"South Asian Civilization from the Inside: Contem-  
plative Practice in Indian Culture"

### Susan Egenolf

Lecturer in English  
and **Larry Reynolds**  
Professor of English  
Texas A&M University  
"Forms of Contemplation in American Cultural  
History"

### Daniel Gold

Professor of South Asian Religions  
Cornell University  
"South Asian Civilization from the Inside:  
Contemplative Practice in Indian Culture"

### Heather Hathaway

Assistant Professor of English  
and **Anthony Peressini**  
Assistant Professor of Philosophy  
Marquette University  
"Meaning and Identity: A Contemplative  
Philosophical and Literary Inquiry"

### Joseph Lawrence

Associate Professor of Philosophy  
and **Joanna Ziegler**  
Associate Professor of Art History  
College of the Holy Cross  
"Contemplative Practice and the Practice of the  
Arts: East and West"

### Andrew McLaughlin

Professor of Philosophy  
Lehman College  
City University of New York  
"Environment and Consciousness"

### Alexandra New Holy

Assistant Professor of Native American Studies  
Montana State University  
"Native American Indian Religions: Contemplation  
and the Sacred"

### Andrea Olsen

Professor of Dance  
Middlebury College  
"Body and Earth: Contemplative Practice in  
Education"

### Andrew Schelling

Assistant Professor of Poetry and Poetics  
The Naropa Institute  
"Bio-regional Poetics and Contemplative Traditions"

### Nancy Sharts-Hopko

Professor, Nursing of Women and Infants  
Villanova University  
"Contemplative Practices: The Lived Experience in  
Illness and Health"

### Anthony Steinbock

Associate Professor of Philosophy  
Southern Illinois University at Carbondale  
"Mystical Literature and Meditation"

### Thomas Stewart

Associate Professor of Political Science  
University of the District of Columbia  
"Contemplative Citizenship Practicum"

### Mary Wack

Professor of English  
Washington State University  
"Contemplation, Creative Action, and Pedagogies  
for the 21st Century"

## 1997 Fellowship Recipients

### Sr. Linda-Susan Beard

Associate Professor of English  
Bryn Mawr College  
"Crossing the Threshold of Pain's Legacy:  
Intersection and Interstices in Three Literary  
Experiences of Suffering"

### Frederick H. Buell

Professor of English  
City University of New York, Queens College  
"Contemplative Practice and American Nature  
Writing"

### Cheryl Conner

Clinical Internship Program  
Suffolk University  
"Being a Reflective Lawyer: a Clinical Course with  
Mind-Training Lessons from the Buddhist Tradition"

### Judith Fryer Davidov

Professor of American Studies  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
"Contemplating Nature: an Exploration of  
Representation of Landscape and the Environment"

### Andre Delbecq

Professor of Organizational Analysis and  
Management  
Santa Clara University  
"Spirituality for Business Leadership"

### Barbara Dilley

Professor of Interarts Studies  
Naropa Institute  
"History and Contexts of Contemplative Practices  
in the Arts"

### Georgia A. Frank

Assistant Professor of Religion  
Colgate University  
"Images for the Soul: Vision and Contemplation in  
Christian History"

### Ashok K. Gangadean

Professor of Philosophy  
Haverford College  
"Meditative Thinking in Global Spiritual  
Traditions"

### SunHee Kim Gertz

Associate Professor of English Literature  
Clark University  
"Still Spaces: Contemplative Practice in the  
Classroom"

### Clifford A. Hill

Professor of Language and Education  
Columbia University  
"A Transcultural Approach to Contemplative  
Practices: Traditional Resources and  
Contemporary Educational Benefits"

### Marilyn Krysl

Professor of English  
and **Marcia Westkott**  
Professor of Women's Studies and Sociology  
University of Colorado, Boulder  
"Contemplation, Poetry and Ideas of Self"

### Daniel C. Matt

Professor of Jewish Spirituality  
Graduate Theological Union  
"Jewish Contemplation and Contemporary  
Cosmology"

### Marilyn Chandler McEntyre

Associate Professor of English  
Westmont College  
"Consenting to See: the Practice of  
Contemplation in Literature and the Visual Arts"

### Edward Sarath

Assistant Professor of Music  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
"Improvisation, Temporality and  
Consciousness"

### Peter Alwyn Schneider

Professor of Architecture  
University of Colorado, Denver  
"Found Spaces: Mindful Practice in  
Architectural Design"

### Roger N. Walsh

Professor of Psychiatry, Philosophy and  
Anthropology  
University of California, Irvine  
"Meditation: Theory, Therapy, Research and Practice"