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Department of Philosophy

Werkmeister Conference on Philosophy and Biology:

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February 23-25, 2001

Program

Friday, February 23rd

Session I: Traditional Problems (Chair: Joseph Travis, Florida State University)

1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Speaker: **David Buller** (Northern Illinois University), "Progress in Teleology"

Speaker: **Ken Waters** (University of Minnesota), "Pluralism, Reductionism, and the Gene-Centered Point of View"

Session II: Keynote Address (Chair: Lawrence Abele, Florida State University)

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Speaker: **David Hull**, Emeritus (Northwestern University), "The Philosophy of Biology"

Saturday, February 24th

Session III: Historical Issues (Chair: Vassiliki B. Smocovitis, University of Florida)

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Speaker: **John Beatty** (University of Minnesota), "Historical Reflections on Evolutionary Biology as a Historical Science"

Speaker: **Jane Mainschein** (Arizona State University), "From Embryology to Evo-Devo: Whatever Happened to Organisms?"

Session IV: Development (Chair: Walter Tschinkel, Florida State University)

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12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Speaker: **Paul Griffiths** (University of Pittsburgh), "Philosophy of Developmental Biology and Genetics"

Speaker: **Robert Brandon** (Duke University), "Modularity in Development and Evolution"

Sunday, February 25th

Session V: Applied Problems (Chair: Paul Thompson, University of Toronto, Scarborough College)

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Speaker: **Bryan Norton** (Georgia Institute of Technology), "The Philosophy of Conservation Biology: Where Should We Go From Here?"

Speaker: **David Castle** (University of Guelph), "Problems of Individuation in Biotechnology"

Speaker: **Jack Wilson** (Washington and Lee University), "More Problems of Individuation in Biotechnology"

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