

## ALLAN SILVERMAN

### EDUCATION

- B.A. (Classics): The Ohio State University, 1978, *Summa Cum Laude* with Honors in Classics and Distinction in the Humanities  
M.A. (Greek): University of California, Berkeley, 1980  
Ph.D. (Classical Philosophy): University of California, Berkeley, 1985

### EMPLOYMENT

- Professor of Philosophy (and Classics), The Ohio State University, September 1985-Present  
Professor of Philosophy (and Greek and Latin), (1985-2000; now Adjunct), The Ohio State University  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, UC Berkeley, Autumn 2005  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh, Autumn 2004 (postponed)  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh, Autumn 2002  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, MIT, Autumn 2002 (declined)  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Yale University, 1993-94, Autumn 1994  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, University of Pittsburgh, Autumn 1992  
Visiting Professor of Philosophy, Howard University, Autumn 1989

### AWARDS AND HONORS

- Seed-Grant, Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center, The Ohio State University  
2006-University Distinguished Visiting Research Fellowship, Monash University, July 2005  
Mershon Center for International Security Fellowship, The Ohio State University, 2003-4  
National Endowment for the Humanities, Senior Fellowship for University Teachers, 1995-6  
Junior Fellow, Center For Hellenic Studies, 1988-89

### PUBLICATIONS

#### Books:

1. *The Dialectic of Essence*, Princeton University Press, 2003, x and 393 pages

#### Articles:

1. "The Metaphysics of Special Sensation," *The Proceedings of the Dayton University Aristotle Conference, Special Volume of The Dayton Review* 19 (1988), 109-120
2. "Plato on Perception and 'Commons'," *Classical Quarterly*, 40 (i) (1990), 148-175
3. "Color and Color-Perception in Aristotle's *De Anima*," *Ancient Philosophy*, 9 (i) (1989), 271-298
4. "Self-Predication and Synonymy," *Ancient Philosophy*, 10 (1990) (ii), 193-202

5. "Plato on Phantasia," *Classical Antiquity*, (1991) (i), 123-47
6. "Timaeon Particulars," *Classical Quarterly*, 42 (i) (1992), 87-113
7. "Plato's *Cratylus*: The Nature of Naming and the Naming of Nature," *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, X (1992), 25-71
8. "Plato and Platonism," *Ancient Philosophy*, 16 (1996), 195-215
9. "Flux and Language in the *Theaetetus*," *Oxford Studies in Ancient Philosophy*, XVIII (2000), 109-152
10. "The End of the *Cratylus*: Limning The World," *Ancient Philosophy*, 21, (2001), 1-19
11. "Plato's Psychology," *The Blackwell Guide to Ancient Philosophy*, London, (2003) 130-144
12. "Metaphysics and Individual Souls in the *Phaedo*," in (Michelini Ed.) *Plato as Author*, (Leiden, 2003), 267-286
13. "Phileban Metaphysics," in (Welton Ed.) *Plato's Forms: Varieties of Interpretation*, (Lanham, 2003), 193-220
14. "Plato's Middle Period Metaphysics and Epistemology," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, 2003
15. "Ascent and Descent: The Philosopher's Regret," *Social Philosophy and Policy*, 24 (2) Summer, 2007, 40-69
16. "Philosopher-Kings and Craftsman Gods," in (Mohr and Sattler Eds.) *One Book, The Whole Universe: Plato's Timaeus Today*, Parmenides Press, 2010, 55-68
17. "Contemplating Divine Mind," in (Nightingale and Sedley Eds.) *Ancient Models of Mind*, Cambridge, 2010, 75-96
18. "Plato's Ontology", *Continuum Companion to Plato*, 2012, 218-220
19. "Plato's Republic as a Vocation," in (Miller. Ed.) *Reason and Analysis in Ancient Greek Philosophy*, Springer 2013, 125-145
20. "Grounding, Analogy, and Aristotle's Critique of Plato's Idea of the Good," in (Feser Ed.) *Aristotle on Method and Metaphysics*, Palgrave 2013, 102-120
21. "Plato's Metaphysics and the Soul," in (Sheffield and Warren Eds.) *Routledge Companion to Ancient Philosophy*, Routledge 2014, 213-226
22. "God is not to Blame: Comments on Meyer," in (Gurtler and Wians Eds.) *Proceedings of The Boston Area Colloquium in Ancient Philosophy*, Brill 2014, 70-74
23. "Plato's Rational Eudaimonism", *Philosophical Inquiry: International Quarterly*, 39 (3-4), Spr-Sum
24. 2015, 26-39
25. "Plato's *Timaeus*: What is in the Paradigm?" forthcoming in Dillon/Wear volume, Cambridge University Press, 20 pages manuscript

### **Reviews, Encyclopedia Entries, Etc.:**

1. *Meaning, Relation and Existence in Plato's Parmenides: The Logic of Relational Realism*, by R. Sternfield and H. Zyskind, *Ancient Philosophy*, **9** (1989), 354-7
2. *The De Anima of Alexander of Aphrodisias*, by A. Fotinis, *Ancient Philosophy*, 10 (i) (1990), 131-135
3. *Phantasia in Classical Antiquity*, by G. Watson, *Classical Philology*, 336-340
4. *The Rational Enterprise*, by R. Desjardins, *Ancient Philosophy*, 14 (1994), 183-88
5. *The Toils of Skepticism*, by J. Barnes, and *Greek Skepticism*, by L. Groarke, *Phoenix*, 1994, 165-170
6. *Language: Vol. 3 of Companions To Ancient Thought*, by S. Everson, *Philosophical Review*, 105 (April 1996)
7. *Recollection and Experience*, by D. Scott, *Bryn Mawr Classical Review*, 1997
8. *Plato's Individual's*, by M. McCabe, *Philosophical Review*, 106 (1997), 470-475
9. *Aristotle on Perception*, by S. Everson, *Ancient Philosophy*, 19 (1999), 172-77
10. *Plato on Parts and Wholes*, by V. Harte, *Archiv fur Geschichte der Philosophie*, 87 (2005), 221-225
11. *Plato's Cratylus*, by D. Sedley, *Archiv fur Geschicte der Philosophie*, 88 (2006), 316-321
12. *Plato's Natural Philosophy*, by T. Johanssen, *Mind*, 115 (2006), 765-769
13. *Ancient Self-Refutation: The Logic and History of the Self-Refutation Argument from Democritus to Augustine*, by L. Castagnoli, *Ancient Philosophy* 32 (2012) 458-61
14. *Philosophers in the Republic: Plato's Two Paradigms*, by Roslyn Weiss, *Notre Dame Philosophical Review*, March 2013

### **PRESENTATIONS**

1. "Aristotle on Science and Sensation," University of Arizona, January 1985
2. "Comments on Ferejohn," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, Los Angeles, March 1986
3. "The Motivation of Virtue," Morehouse College, Atlanta, October 1986
4. "*Timaeus* 47ff: Form, Matter, Persistence and Predication," American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Boston, December 1986
5. "The Metaphysics of Special Sensation," Dayton University Aristotle Colloquium, November 1987
6. "Plato on Phantasia: The Missing Link," American Philological Association, New York, December 1987

7. "Protagorizing Plato's Heracliteanism," American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, March 1988
8. "Comments on Leftow," commentary on paper of B. Leftow, American Philosophical Association, Eastern Division, Washington, December 1988
9. "Plato's *Cratylus*," Center For Hellenic Studies, Washington, D. C., February 1988
10. "Perception in the *Theaetetus Part I*," University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, March 1989
11. "Perception in the *Theaetetus Part II*," Florida State University, March 1989
12. "Plato on the Naming of Nature and the Nature of Naming," Harvard University, April 1989
13. "On the Origins of Metaphysics," The Alain Locke Philosophical Society, Howard University, September 1989
14. "Plato and the Neo-Platonists on Light and Perception," American Philological Association, San Francisco, December 1990
15. "Timaeon Particulars," University of Michigan, February 1991
16. "Plato on the Construction of Matter," University of Toronto, April 1991
17. "Some Ways of Being in Plato," The Society For Ancient Greek Philosophy, American Philosophical Association, December 1991
18. "Aristotle's Metaphysics and Ethics," University of Toledo, February 1992
19. "Metaphysical Principles in Plato and Aristotle," Denison University, March 1992
20. "Some Varieties of Pragmatic Self-Refutation in Plato," conference on the Methodology of the Ancient Philosopher, The Ohio State University, October 1992
21. "The Refutation of the Heracliteans," Yale University, February 1994
22. Comments on Ian Mueller on Plato's *Timaeus*, American Philosophical Association, Pacific Division, March 1994
23. "The Refutation of the Heracliteans," Dartmouth College, May 1994,
24. "Three Problems of Participation in Plato," Boston University, October 1994
25. "The Later Socratic Elenchus," American Philological Association, December 1994
26. "Plato's Metaphysics: From Two Worlds to Two Theories," Northwestern University, April 1997
27. "Does Language Limit the World," University of California, Berkeley, April 1997
28. "Plato's Metaphysics: From Two Worlds to Two Theories," University of Washington, April 1997
29. "The Metaphysics of Separation," Purdue University, February 1998
30. "Philosophical Anarchy in Plato's *Republic*," University of Dayton, February 1998

31. "The Metaphysics of Separation," Stanford University, April 1998
32. "Plato's *Republic*," UC, Berkeley, April 1998
33. "Separation," UCLA, April 1998
34. "The Unity of Logos," Northern Association Meetings, Durham, England, April 1999
35. "Aristotle's Account of Perception," Ohio University, April 1999
36. "The Metaphysics of the *Philebus* and *Timaeus*," Trinity College, Dublin, November 1-6, 1999
37. "The Metaphysics of the *Philebus* and *Timaeus*," King's College, London, November 1-6, 1999
38. "The Metaphysics of the *Philebus* and *Timaeus*," University of Edinburgh, November 1-6, 1999
39. "Plato on Knowledge and Essence," B-Club, Cambridge University, November 1999
40. "Individual Souls and Form-Copies in the *Phaedo*," 1999 Taft International Colloquium on Plato's Dialogues, University of Cincinnati, November 1999
41. "The Beginnings of Greek Philosophy," (with Mark Griffith) Center For Hellenic Studies, Wash.D.C., March 2000
42. "Plato's Allegory of the Cave," Life of the Mind Lecture, Ohio Dominican College, March 2000
43. "Return to the Cave, Keynote Address," The Undergraduate Philosophy Colloquium, The Ohio State University, May 2002
44. Invited Critic, Faculty Show, Department of Art, The Ohio State University, October 2002
45. "Phileban Metaphysics," The University of Iowa, October 2002
46. "Phileban Metaphysics," SUNY at Albany, February 2003
47. "Reading Plato's *Republic*," Social Policy Center, Bowling Green State University, March 2004
48. "Reading Plato's *Republic*," Ohio University, May 2004
49. "Reading Plato's *Republic*," The Ohio State University, August 2004
50. "Philosophical Anarchy and RealPolitik: *Republic* and *Timaeus*," Princeton Ancient Philosophy Colloquium, December 2004
51. "Philosophical Anarchy and RealPolitik: *Republic* and *Timaeus*," UCLA, March 2005
52. "Philosophical Anarchy and RealPolitik: *Republic* and *Timaeus*," Ancient Philosophy Workshop, UC, Berkeley, March 2005
53. "Philosophical Anarchy and RealPolitik: *Republic* and *Timaeus*," Australian Association of Philosophy, Sydney, July 2005

54. "Philosophical Anarchy and RealPolitik: *Republic* and *Timaeus*," Monash University, July 2005
55. Author Meets Critic: Critic, *Plato on Parts and Wholes* (by Verity Harte), American Philosophical Association, Boston, December 2005
56. "The Metaphysics of the *Theaetetus*," Pittsburgh Ancient Philosophy Workshop, February 2005
57. Author Meets Critics: *The Dialectic of Essence* (comments by M. Ferejohn, Duke, and M.M. McCabe, King's College, London), American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, March 2005
58. "Plato's Metaphysics," Purdue University, April 2005
59. "Plato's *Republic*: The Philosopher's Regret," University of Kansas, November 2005
60. "Plato's *Republic*: The Philosopher's Regret," University of California, Berkeley, November 2005
61. "Plato's *Republic*: The Philosopher's Regret," Ancient Political Philosophy Conference, San Diego, June 2006
62. "Plato's *Republic* as a Vocation," Invited Symposium, American Philosophical Association, San Francisco, April 2007
63. Comments on Perrin, American Philosophical Association, Chicago, April 2007
64. "Plato on Practical Reason," Queen's University, June 2007
65. "Divine Contemplating Mind," Conference for A.A.Long, Berkeley, September 2007
66. "Philosopher-Kings and Craftsman Gods," UIUC International Timaeus Conference, September 2007
67. "Practical Versus Theoretical Reason", UCSB, March 2008
68. "Practical Versus Theoretical Reason", UCLA, March 2008
69. "Practical Versus Theoretical Reason", Ohio State, August 2008
70. "Practical Versus Theoretical Reason", Duke University, February 2009
71. "NanoEthics," UCSB Vision IGERT, June 2008
72. Yale/King's College London Seminar on the Republic Book 2, Yale University, June 2008
73. "The Construction of Reason," The Barnett Bank and Trust Lectures, UNC Chapel Hill, Winter 2009
74. Yale/King's College London Seminar on the Republic Book 3, King's College, London, June 2009
75. "Plato's Republic as a Vocation," BGSU, March 2010
76. Yale/King's College London Seminar on the Republic Book 4, Yale, June 2010
77. " Demiurgic Politics," Fudan University, November 2010

78. “ Demiurgic Politics,” Peking University, November 2010
79. “ Demiurgic Politics,” Republic V Workshop, June 2011
80. “The Division of Goods,” Notre Dame, August 2011
81. Republic VI Workshop, Yale University, June 2012
82. “God is not to Blame”, Comments, Boston Area Colloquium for Ancient Philosophy, October 2012
83. “The Work of Carmel Buckley”, Swing Space Gallery, Columbus, October 2012
84. “Plato and Rational Eudaimonism,” Arizona Ancient Philosophy Workshop, February 2013
85. Republic VII Workshop, King’s College, London, June 2013
86. “Plato’s Cratylus,” UNC Ancient Philosophy Seminar, November 2013
87. “ Timaeon Hermeneutics”, Harvard Workshop in Ancient Philosophy, May 2014
88. Republic VIII Workshop, Yale University, June 2014
89. “What is in the Paradigm?”, Berkeley conference for John Dillon, September 2014
90. “Practical Quiddities”, NYU Ancient Philosophy Workshop, April 2015
91. Republic IX Workshop, King’s College, London, June 2015