# SJSU | DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

# Faculty Areas of Expertise & Interest

This information may help you find an appropriate faculty member to supervise your directed reading, thesis, or applied project.

#### Karin Brown

Ethical theory, History of Ethics, Social and Political Theory, Buddhist Ethics, Feminist Ethics, Philosophy of Education, History of Philosophy.

#### Rebecca Chan

Metaphysics, Metaethics, Epistemology (including traditional, formal, and social), Philosophy of Law, Political Philosophy, Decision Theory, Practical Reason, Philosophy of Religion.

#### Tom Leddy

Aesthetics, Philosophy of Art, American Philosophy, Ancient Philosophy, Existentialism, Phenomenology, Hermeneutics, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century European philosophy (including Kant, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, German Idealism), Non-western, Analytic, Philosophy of Education, Philosophy of Religion, Philosophy of History.

#### Jordan Liz

Philosophy of Race, Philosophy of Medicine, Bioethics, Environmental Ethics, Feminist Philosophy, Modern Philosophy, Social/Political Philosophy, Logic.

#### Tommy Lott

Modern Philosophy, Social and Political Philosophy, African American Philosophy, Film/Media and Cultural Studies.

#### Bo Mou

Philosophy of language, metaphysics, Chinese philosophy, comparative philosophy (especially comparative Chinese-Western philosophy), issues in meta-philosophy and philosophical methodology, cross-tradition studies on a range of basic issues in major areas of philosophy.

#### **Carlos Sanchez**

Phenomenology, Existentialism, Social and Political Philosophy, History of Mexican Philosophy, Latin American Philosophy.

#### Janet Stemwedel

Philosophy of science (including feminist philosophy of science, philosophy of chemistry), values in science, bioethics, metaphysics (especially causation and explanation), public philosophy, applied ethics, epistemology.

#### Anand Vaidya

In all areas of research I use a cross-cultural and multidisciplinary approach. Philosophy of mind (especially consciousness, extended mind, cognitive biases), epistemology (especially modality, perception, intuition, imagination), social justice (especially the capabilities approach to justice, criminal justice).

### Peter Hadreas (Spring only)

Phenomenology, Aristotle, Greek Philosophy, Philosophy of Music, Philosophy of Economics, Business Ethics, Merleau-Ponty, 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century Continental Philosophy.

## Rita Manning

Ethical Theory, Philosophy of Law, Feminist Philosophy, Critical Race Theory, Bioethics, History of Philosophy (Kant, J.S. Mill/Harriet Taylor)