

CURRICULUM VITAE – february 2009

Sorin Costreie

Present Position: Lecturer, Philosophy Department, University of Bucharest

Areas of Specialization: philosophy of language, philosophy of mathematics, philosophical logic

Areas of Competence: logic, philosophy of science, metaphysics, epistemology, critical thinking; history of philosophy (especially early analytic and Leibniz)

Education:

Ph.D. (ABD) – University of Western Ontario (in progress; completion expected Fall 2009)

Ph.D. – University of Bucharest (2007)

M.A. – University of Bucharest (1997)

B.A. – University of Bucharest (1996)

Publications:

Books:

- (with D. Stefanescu and A. Miroiu) *Logic and Argumentation* (Humanitas, 2004)

Chapters in books:

- “T. Campanella- La Città del Sole”, *Dictionary of fundamental political works*, Humanitas, 2000; pp. 68-76

Articles:

- “Mathematics and Biology. Applicability and Predictability”, *Rationality and Evolution. Philosophical Investigations of Complexity*, L. Staicu (ed.), Bucharest University Press, 2009, pp. 225-51
- “Leibniz and Clarke. Physics, Metaphysics and Mathematics”, *New Europe College Yearbook 2006-2007*, I. Vainovski-Mihai (Ed.), New Europe College, 2009, pp. 97-127
- “Is really David Lewis a Realist?”, *Ontology Studies/Cuadernos de Ontologia*, Nr. 8, San Sebastian, Spain, 2008, pp. 127-138
- “Proper names: Mill, Russell and Frege”, *Proceedings of the International Conference ‘John Stuart Mill. 1806-2006, University of Bucharest, November 3rd-4th, 2006*, University of Bucharest Press, 2007, pp. 291-311
- “The short long life of Russell’s *denoting concepts*”, *Teorema*, XXIV/3, 2005, pp. 97-113
- “Leibniz on Miracles”, *Arches- Revue Internationale des Sciences Humaines*, Tome 7, 2004, pp. 63-8
- “Leibniz’s Constructivism”, *Revue Roumaine de Philosophie*, 47(1-2), 2003, pp. 67-81
- “Bertrand Russell & the Theory of Denotative Concepts”, *Revista de Filosofie*, XLIX, sept.-dec. 5-6, 2002, pp. 641-656

- “The New Theory of Reference. Problems and Solutions concerning Proper Names”, Proceedings of *The 2nd Annual Conference on Logic and Reasoning*, July 2000, NEC Institute for Advanced Studies, Bucharest; pp.69-81
- “Possibility by Leibniz”, *Krisis - Journal of Philosophy*, 7, 1999; pp. 101-116
- “Identity & Possible Worlds”, *Krisis - Journal of Philosophy*, 2, 1995; pp. 59-64

Presentations:

- “Frege on informative identities and contentful mathematics”, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Department of Philosophy, June 2009, Barcelona, Spain
- “Horror vacui. Leibniz vs. Newton”, *Beyond Kuhnian paradigms: was there a scientific revolution in 17th century, after all?*, University of Bucharest – New Europe College, March 2009, Bucharest, Romania
- “Leibniz on void and matter”, *Focus group – The Research group on the foundations of European modernity-NEC*, December 2008, Bucharest, Romania
- “Newton and Leibniz. Physics vs. Metaphysics”, *Bucharest-Princeton Seminar*, July-August 2008, Malancrav, Romania
- “Mathematics and Biology: predictability and applicability”, *Workshop on Theoretical and Methodological Fundamentals in the modeling and dynamics of complex socio-human systems*, University of Bucharest, Centre for logic, history and philosophy of science, February 2007, Bucharest, Romania
- “Leibniz’ labyrinth or the mathematical analysis of the world”, *Seminar New Europe College*, December 2006, Bucharest, Romania
- “Proper Names: Mill, Russell, Frege”, *International Conference. John Stuart Mill 1806-2006*, University of Bucharest – New Europe College, November 2006, Bucharest, Romania
- “David Lewis’ ontology or how could a Nominalist be called Realist?”, *VII International Ontology Congress. From Plato’s cave to the Internet: The real and the Virtual*, October 2006, San Sebastian, Spain
- “Leibniz’s intuitionism”, *Seminar on Early Modern Philosophy. The great instauration: science, philosophy and the reformation of knowledge in 17th century* — Research Centre for Foundations of Early Modern Thought (Princeton University & University of Bucharest), July 2005, Bran, Romania
- “The epistemological difficulty of Russell’s theory of denoting concepts”, *American Philosophical Association – Eastern Division*, December 2003 / Washington, USA
- “B. Russell - Theory of Knowledge (1900-1905)”, *International Conference on ‘Theory of Knowledge’*, Black Sea University & Romanian Academy, September 2003 / Bucharest, Romania
- “Leibniz’s constructivism”, *12th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, August 2003 / Oviedo, Spain
- “The Epistemological Difficulty of Russell’s Theory of Denoting Concepts”, *Canadian Philosophical Association*, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada
- “Leibniz’s Constructivism”, *Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Science*, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada
- “Leibniz’s Account of Infinity and His Philosophy of Mathematics”, *Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Mathematics*, Dalhousie University, May-June 2003 / Halifax, Canada
- “Leibniz on Miracles”, *International Philosophy Workshop on ‘Constructions’*, October 2001 Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John’s, Canada

- “Leibniz on Miracles”, *The 7th International Leibniz Congress*, Technical University Berlin, September 2001 / Berlin, Germany
- “The New Theory of Reference: Problems and Difficulties”, *International Conference on ‘Logic, Arguments and Reasoning’*, New Europe College, July 2000 / Bucharest, Romania
- “The Logic of Essentialism”, *11th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, August 1999 / Krakow, Poland
- “Frege's Ontology“, University of Bonn, Institute for Logic and Fundamental Research, June 1998 / Bonn, Germany
- “Observation and Theory according to Newton-Smith”, Romanian Academy, October 1995 / Bucharest, Romania
- “Possible Worlds- A Critical Investigation”, *10th International Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science*, August 1995 / Florence, Italy

Teaching experience:

2008-2009	UB	- Philosophy of mathematics (Phil 331) / Tutorial Leader - Philosophy of language (Phil. 220) / Instructor - Ontology of Science (MA) / Instructor
2007-2008	UWO	- Introduction to logic (Phil. 131) / Instructor
2006-2007	UB	- Philosophical Logic (Phil. 330) / Instructor - First-Order Logic (Phil. 123) / Tutorial leader - Ontology (Phil. 440) / Instructor - Extension of first-order logic (Phil. 124) / Tutorial leader - Philosophy of language (Phil.220) / Instructor - Introduction to epistemology (Phil.110) / Tutorial leader
2005-2006	UB	- Philosophy of language (Phil.220) / Instructor - Introduction to epistemology (Phil.110) / Tutorial leader
	UWO	- Introduction to logic (Phil.131) / Instructor
2004-2005	UB	- Philosophy of language (Phil.220) / Instructor - Introduction to epistemology (Phil.110) / Tutorial leader
	UWO	- Death (Phil. 153F) / Grader
2003-2004	UB	- Philosophy of language (Phil.220) / Tutorial Leader - Introduction to epistemology (Phil.110) / Tutorial leader
2002-2003	UWO	- Introduction to logic (Phil. 212) / Grader - Introduction to logic (Phil. 222a) / Grader
2001-2002	UWO	- Introduction to logic (Phil. 131) / Instructor
2000-2001	UWO	- Questions of the day (Phil. 023G) / Grader - Death (Phil. 153F) / Grader
1999-2000	UB	- Meta-Logic (Phil. 350) / Tutorial leader - Modal Logic (Phil. 340) / Tutorial Leader
1998-1999	UB	- Introduction into epistemology (Phil.110) / Tutorial leader - Philosophical Logic (Phil. 330) / Tutorial Leader

(UB = University of Bucharest, UWO = University of Western Ontario)

Administrative positions:

since August 2008 – chief of the Department of Quality Management, UB

since May 2008 – member of the council of Philosophy Department, UB

2007-2008 – representative of part-time instructors in the Council of Faculty of Arts, UWO

Administrative papers and presentations:

- “Quality Management Certification – A Trigger only for positive Changes in Higher Education?” (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu), The 6th International Conference on Management of Technological Changes, Democritus University of Thrace, September 2009, Alexandroupolis, Greece
- “Quality Assurance Evaluation Process in Romanian Higher Education Institutions – The Case of the University of Bucharest” (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu), *International Conference on Education and New Learning Technologies – EDULEARN09*, July 2009, Barcelona, Spain
- “Les politiques d’assurance qualité dans l’enseignement superior – un catalyseur pour l’internationalisation des universités” (with Rodica Ianole & Raluca Dinescu), 6th *International Conference on Internationalization of Quality Assurance, Accreditation and Management of Higher Education*, June 2009, Galati, Romania

Awards:

- 2003 nominated for Graduate Student Teaching Award (UWO)

Scholarships and grants:

- 2006-2007 New Europe College Scholarship
- 2004-2005 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2003-2004 Ontario Graduate Scholarship + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2002-2003 Special University Scholarship + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2000-2002 President’s Scholarship for Graduate Studies + UWO-International Graduate Student Scholarship
- 2001 Deutschen Forschungsgemeinschaft grant supporting travel costs for attending *The VIIIth International Leibniz Congress*, September 10-15th, 2001 / Technical University of Berlin
- 1999 World Bank grant as visiting scholar at University of Notre Dame & University of Pittsburgh in the framework of the research project: *Understanding Complexity*
- 1997-1998 Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) scholarship at University of Bonn for the research project: *Frege's Ontology*
- 1996 TEMPUS scholarship at University of Rome, *La Sapienza*
- 1993 Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) scholarship at University of Trier (Germany) for a German language summer school

Membership in Academic and Professional Organizations:

- Member, *American Philosophical Association* (A.P.A.)
- Member, *Canadian Philosophical Association* (C.P.A.)
- Member, *Canadian Society for the History and Philosophy of Science* (C.S.H.P.S.)
- Member, *Canadian Society for History and Philosophy of Mathematics* (C.S.H.P.M.)
- Member, *Romanian Society for Analytical Philosophy* (S.R.F.A.)

Languages:

- Fluent in Romanian, English, Italian and German
- Partial fluency in French and Spanish