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JOHN DEWEY MEMORIAL CONFERENCE | October 8th & 9th 2021

Conference Headquarters:

The University of Vermont

Old Mill Building

94 University Place

Burlington, VT 05405

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Please note that we will strictly adhere to all UVM health and safety regulations as well as all CDC recommendations. All conference participants will mask while indoors. Vaccination is strongly urged for all visitors to UVM's campus.

Thursday, 10/7/21

6pm-8pm

Cocktail party at John Dewey house, hosted by Eric & Robin Gershman

186 South Willard
Burlington, VT 05401

*Weather permitting. At 7pm, host and author Eric Gershman will be reading from his John Dewey based story, *Alive in the Basement*. Sneak preview: https://www.wattpad.com/Eric_Wayne.



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Friday, 10/08/21

7:30am-10:00am	Registration & Welcome Table (Old Mill Building/John Dewey Lounge)
8:00am-8:15am	Official Conference Welcome (John Dewey Lounge)
8:15am-9:45am	First Concurrent Paper Sessions
9:45am-10:00am	Coffee Break
10:00am-11:30am	Second Concurrent Paper Sessions
11:30am-12:30pm	Lunch Break (on your own)
12:30pm-1:30pm	John Dewey Memorial Symposium (John Dewey Lounge)

***Cooking to Learn: The John Dewey Kitchen Institute,
A Conversation Among Cynthia Belliveau, Lisa Heldke and
Raymond Boisvert***

The John Dewey Kitchen Institute is a teach-the-teachers approach to democratic education that draws together Deweyan educational philosophy and the practices of the kitchen--specifically, cooking and eating together. Built upon ten "Tenets of Deweyan Inquiry," the JDKI invites teachers at all levels from preschool through graduate school, within and outside of formal educational institutions, to explore the ways in which cooking and eating can be used in their teaching to cultivate in their students the capacity for curious, playful, open-ended inquiry that equips them to be participants in democratic community making.

In this presentation, Belliveau and Heldke will explain the JDKI through a series of questions they pose to each other. Boisvert will offer a reflection and critique of the model, its possibilities and its limitations. Audience discussion will further explore and expand the potential (and limits) of this Deweyan educational approach.

1:35pm-3:05pm

[Third Concurrent Paper Sessions](#)

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3:10pm-4:40pm

[Fourth Concurrent Paper Sessions](#)

3:10pm-4:40pm

School & Society Forum (John Dewey Lounge)

4:45pm-5:45pm

NEPES Keynote Address and Coffee Reception (John Dewey Lounge)

Mariana Souto-Manning

5:45pm-6:45pm

NEPES Business Meeting (John Dewey Lounge)



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Saturday, 10/9

- 8am-9:00am Fellowship Walk of Dewey Sites with Sarah Stitzlein and Cara Furman (Requires approximately two miles of walking total. Meet at Dewey's gravesite beside Ira Allen Chapel on University Place for a prompt departure at 8:00am.)
- 9am-9:45am Presentation on the UVM Library Dewey Collection (John Dewey Lounge)
- 10:00am-12noon [Fifth Paper Session](#) (John Dewey Lounge)
- 12noon-1:00pm Lunch Break (on your own)
- 1pm-2:45pm John Dewey Memorial Lecture and John Dewey Society Awards Ceremony (John Dewey Lounge)
- Meira Levinson, [Distilling the Spirit of Ethical Democratic Education: New Craft Cocktails of Challenges, or Old Politics in New Bottles?](#)***
- In this talk, Meira Levinson will explore contemporary challenges in educational ethics, including conflicts over history and civic education, whether (and if so how) to measure COVID-related learning loss, and who should decide if (and if so, when) children and teachers should be required to attend schools in-person rather than remotely. She will argue that each of these challenges poses ethical questions that are specific to the current moment, but that they also collectively activate longer-term concerns about democratic decision-making and the distribution of power in a diverse polity. In the spirit of inclusive and Deweyan collaboration, Levinson will invite audience members to deliberate together about some of these dilemmas, in addition to offering her own ideas.
- 3pm-5:30pm [John Dewey Society Emerging Scholars Forum](#) (John Dewey Lounge)
- 6:30pm-7:30pm John Dewey Society Business Meeting & Reception (John Dewey Lounge)
- 8:00pm Dinner and Drinks at local restaurant for those interested





Experiential Learning Opportunities Saturday, 10/9

***Must Pre-Register with Kyle Greenwalt, greenwlt@msu.edu. Thanks to the generosity of our conference partners, all experiential sessions are free for participants.**

John Dewey Kitchen Institute Kitchen Sessions

10am-12noon, or 4pm-6pm, Marsh Life Sciences Building, 109 Carrigan Drive, Burlington, VT 05405

These two-hour workshops give conference attendees the opportunity to take part in a classroom inquiry activity of the sort that JDKI participants would do. We will cook, taste and eat together, and in the process, explore the tenets upon which the JDKI is built. The session takes place in the “kitchenroom”--a combination kitchen-classroom space that physically manifests the inseparability of theory and practice that characterizes the model.

Number of Participants: 16 per session under current COVID protocols. Pre-registration is first come, first serve.

A Day on the Farm: Experiencing Place and Sustainability in Teacher Education

3:30pm-6:00pm, 1611 Harbor Rd, Shelburne, VT 05482

Shelburne Farms is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to inspire and cultivate learning for a sustainable future. Together, Shelburne Farms and the University of Vermont are working to envision a new kind of teacher education that is place-based and attuned to global sustainability. In this workshop you will learn about the principles, pedagogies, and protocols that guide this work as we engage with the complexity of the Shelburne Farms landscape together. Dewey knew this landscape well as a child exploring the farms, forests, and mountains surrounding Lake Champlain.

*Families are invited to walk and explore the Farm during the workshop.

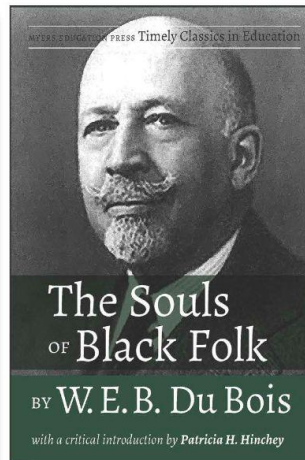
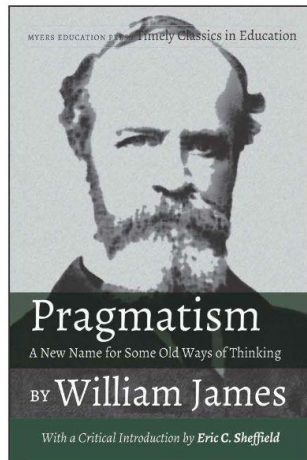
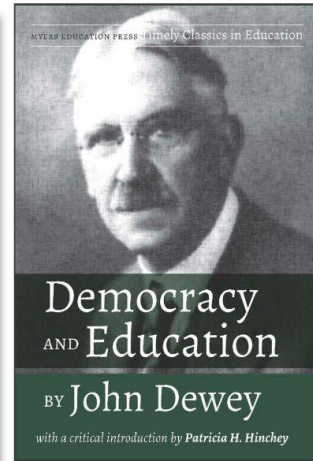
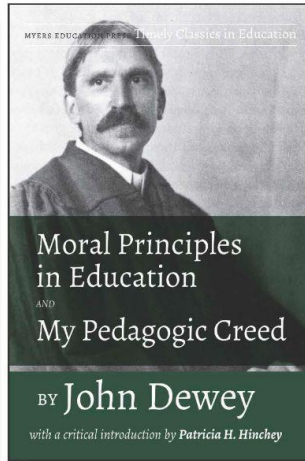
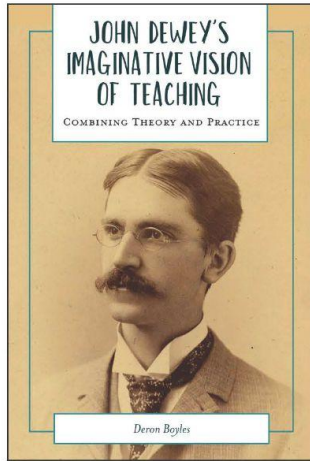
Number of Participants: 25 under current COVID protocols; 12 if more strict social-distancing is required. Pre-registration is first come, first serve. Participants must have their own transportation (though JDS can help with carpooling).



"If we teach today's students as we taught yesterday's, we rob them of tomorrow." –John Dewey

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