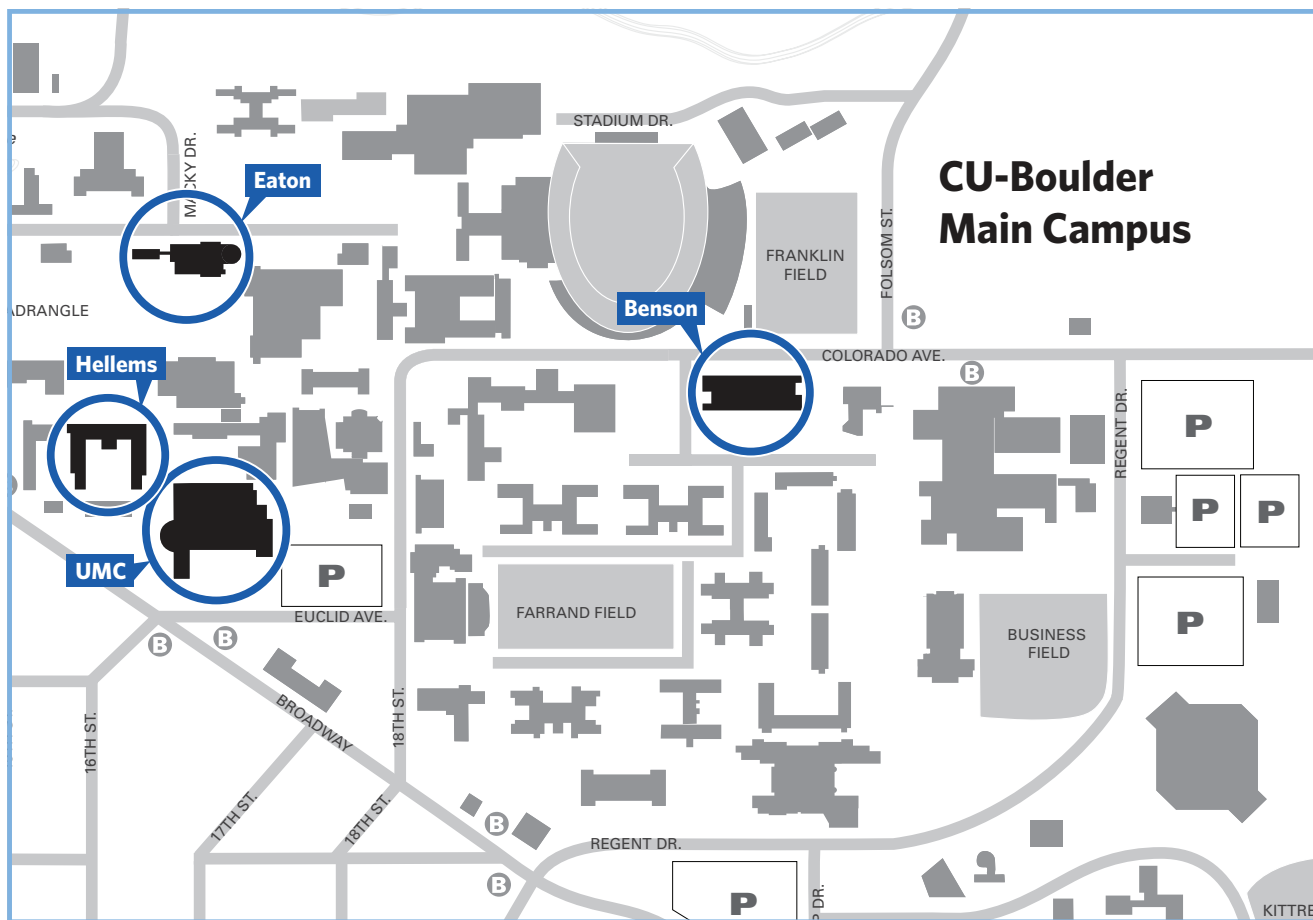


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Keynote Speakers

Keynote 1: **Jerry Fodor**
Rutgers University

"From the Darwin Wars"

Friday, April 20, at 6:15 PM
Benson Earth Sciences Room 180

Abstract: This talk will argue that, despite what his followers have often claimed, Darwin's Theory of Natural Selection does not (in fact, couldn't) provide a viable account of the mechanism of the evolution of species-phenotypes. The argument is logical/philosophical; it requires empirical premises, but none of them are in dispute. No religious or theological theses will be presented or presupposed.

Keynote 2: **Russ Shafer-Landau**
University of Wisconsin, Madison

"The Darwinian Argument"

Saturday, April 21, at 11:15 AM
Humanities Room 150

Abstract: I reconstruct a master argument that tries to reveal the essential commitments of those who would argue that moral knowledge is impossible, once we become aware of the evolutionary origins of our moral beliefs. At the heart of the debunking strategies is a common claim: given the influence of selective pressures on our moral faculties, it would be a massive coincidence were they reliable. I explore a variety of ways in which this sort of coincidence can be understood, and argue that none of these ways supports moral skepticism.

Keynote 3: **Kit Fine**
New York University
"Truthmaker Semantics"

Saturday, April 21, at 4:45 PM
Humanities Room 150

Abstract: This talk will outline an alternative to possible worlds semantics.

Contributed Papers

Friday, 20 April

Keynote 1: Jerry Fodor
6:15 PM - 7:45 PM — *Benson Room 180*

Saturday, 21 April

SESSION A: 9:00 AM - 9:50 AM

A1. Matthew Leonard, Univ. California, Davis
"Mirror Realism"
Commenter: Ben Rohrs
Humanities Room 135

A2. Alexander Stathopoulos, U. of St. Andrews/Stirling University
"A Deflationary View of Peer Disagreement"
Commenter: Dan Lowe
Humanities Room 150

SESSION B: 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM

B1. Avery Archer, Columbia University
"Competing Aims: Vellman vs. The Guise of the Good"
Commenter: Benjamin Kultgen,
Humanities Room 135

B2. Julia Neufeld, Northern Illinois University
"Conditionals of Freedom, Truth and Grounding, Necessity"
Commenter: Jason Hanschmann,
Humanities Room 150

Keynote 2: Russ Shafer-Landau
11:15 AM - 12:45 AM — *Humanities Room 150*

LUNCH: 12:45 PM - 2:30 PM

SESSION C 2:30 PM - 3:20 PM

C1. Matthew Lee, University of Notre Dame
"Are Credences Reducible to Probabilistic Beliefs?"
Commenter: Rebecca Chan
Humanities Room 135

C2. Tyler Paytas, Washington Univ. St. Louis
"You Really Ought to Use a Cleaver to Kill Jones: The Under-Specification of Practical Oughts"
Commenter: Spencer Case
Humanities Room 150

SESSION D 3:30 PM - 4:20 PM

D1. Andy Yu, University of Oxford
"The Truth about the Necessity and Existence of Williamson's Necessary Existents"
Commenter: Noel Saenz
Humanities Room 135

D2. Samuel Taylor, University of Iowa
"What Seemings Seem to Be"
Commenter: Jon Spelman
Humanities Room 150

Keynote 3: Kit Fine
4:45 PM - 6:15 PM — *Humanities Room 150*