# CONFERENCE REPORT

**Your Name:**  Oliver Pergams **Name of Conference:**  Personhood Beyond the Human **Location of Conference:**  Yale University **Dates of Conference:**  Dec. 6-8, 2013

**List at least 3 sessions you attended (Title and Description)**

* Plenary: Peter Singer, “Who is a Person? A Non-Speciesist Answer”
* Saskia Stucki, “The Animal Person as Tertium Datur”
* Andrew Fenton, “On Solid Ground: Chimpanzee Dissent and Trapdoor Clauses”

**One significant item you learned from the conference that you were unaware of and would like to share with colleagues.** There is a trend towards using human pediatric ethics to support the designation of sentient non-human animals (think chimps, for example) as persons.

**What one activity would you recommend we implement immediately?** 1) I will probably start including a module on non-human intelligence and personhood in my Bio 122 class. 2) I may want to run the Bioethics/Gen Ed Biology Learning Community again with Dr. Sweis.

**What one activity would you recommend we implement in FY 14 budget (Long Term)?** Possibly the Bioethics/Gen Ed Biology Learning Community.

**If we had available funds what would you recommend we implement?** Same as above.

**Additional comments pertaining to how this conference supports the grant objectives or KPIs of the District**

* Reinvention Goal
  + Increase the rate of transfer to Bachelor’s degree programs following CCC graduation
* KPI
  + All Baccalaureate/Transfer KPIs (#1-7)
* Five-Year Plan
  + The number of degrees awarded annually will increase nearly 40 percent
  + The graduation rate will be at 20+ percent
  + More than half of students will transfer to four-year institutions following graduation

***Lastly, please include any photos, links, resources, hand-outs, or other materials when you submit your report.***

1. ***Program attached.***
2. ***Link to my video of 1st part of plenary talk:***

[***https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrHZ2V6YiwQ***](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SrHZ2V6YiwQ)

1. ***Link to my video of 2nd half of most sophisticated (IMO) presentation, on chimpanzee dissent to research:***

[***https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=12XnXUhmJAU***](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=12XnXUhmJAU)