

**Jill Stauffer**

# no desertion, but revolt

*Friday September 12  
Ena Thompson Room, Crookshank Hall  
4:15pm*

In *Otherwise than Being* Levinas writes, "Subjectivity in aging is unique, irreplaceable, me and not another; it is despite itself in an obedience where there is no desertion, but where revolt is brewing. These traits exclude one another but they are resolved in responsibility for another, older than any commitment" (OB 52). Stauffer's paper discusses multiple senses of revolt, how they compete with each other and resolve the competition, and what that tells us about aging and responsibility.

Jill Stauffer is associate professor and director of the concentration in Peace, Justice and Human Rights at Haverford College. Her book *Ethical Loneliness: The Injustice of Not Being Heard*, was published by Columbia University Press in 2015. Her edited volume (with Bettina Bergo), *Nietzsche and Levinas: After the Death of a Certain God*, was published by Columbia University Press in 2009. She is on the editorial board of *Voice of Witness*, a non-profit oral history book series illuminating human rights crises by amplifying the voices of those who suffer through them. Her forthcoming book on the relationship between time and law is called *Temporal Privilege*.



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