

Theses and Dissertations Inventory

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This is an inventory of academic theses and dissertations issued for credit toward Masters and Doctoral degrees relating to UFOs and life in space.

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Johnson, DeWayne B. – **“Flying Saucers: Fact or Fiction?”** (MA, Journalism, University of California, 1950, 348 pages) (* and original form hardcopy)

Carpenter, Donald – **“Plasma Theory Applied to Ball Lightning”** (Iowa State University of Science and Technology, 1962, 123 pages)

Stupple, David – **“A Functional Approach to Social Movements with an Analysis of the I Am Religious Sect and the Congress of Racial Equality”** (MA, Sociology, University of Missouri, Kansas City, 1965, 170 pages)

Dutton, Ronald – **“An Analysis of Unidentified Flying Objects”** (Air University, 1967, 60 pages)

King, John R. – **“The UFO Problem: Time for a Reassessment”** (Maxwell Air Force Base, 1968, 130 pages)

Stanley, Darrell – **“UFO’s and Extraterrestrial Life”** (Maxwell Air Force Base, 1968, 59 pages)

Strentz, Herbert – **“A Survey of Press Coverage of Unidentified Flying Objects: 1947- 1967”** (PhD, Journalism, Northwestern University, 1970, 355 pages)*

Stroh, Jerry – **“The UFO Debate is Still Alive”** (Maxwell Air Force Base, 197, 81 pages)

Shea, David - **“The UFO Phenomenon: A Study in Public Relations”** (MA, University of Denver, 1972, 61 pages., plus extensive attachments, 233 pages)

Jacobs, David M. - **“The Controversy Over Unidentified Flying Objects in America: 1896-1973”** (PhD, History, University of Wisconsin, 1973, 377 pages)*

Schutz, Michael K. – **“Organizational Goals and Support-Seeking Behavior: A Comparative Study of Social Movements”** (PhD, Sociology, Northwestern

University, 1973, 448 pages) 88 pages ** ***

Brummett, William & Zuick, Ernest – **“Should the Air Force Reopen Project Blue Book?”** (Masters of Public Administration, Graduate Faculty of Auburn University, 1974, 109 pages)

McCarthy, Paul E. - **“Politicking and Paradigm Shifting: James E. McDonald and the UFO Case Study”** (PhD, Philosophy, University of Hawaii, 1975, 303 pages)

Walter, Everett R. – **“The Study of Unidentified Flying Objects and its Adoption Within the Community College Curriculum”** (D.Ed, Nova University, 1977, 125 pages)

Baechle, Michael Alois – **“A Review of Psychoanalytic and Developmental Paradigms of Interstellar Radio Communication”** (PhD, Philosophy, Northwestern University, 1980, 266 pages)

Zabilka, Ivan lee – **“Nineteenth Century British and American Perspectives on the Plurality of Worlds: A Comparative Study”** (PhD, Philosophy, University of Kentucky, 1980, 160 pages)

Bullard, Thomas E. – **“Mysteries in the Eye of the Beholder: UFOs and their Correlates as a Folkloric Theme...”** (PhD, Folklore, Indiana University, 1982, 608 pages)

Rojcewicz, Peter M. – **“The Boundaries of Orthodoxy: A Folkloric Look at the ‘UFO Phenomenon’”** (PhD, Folklore, University of Pennsylvania, 1984, 738 pages)

Parnell, June Otille – **“Personality Characteristics on the MMPI: 16 PF and ACL of Persons Who Claim UFO Experiences”** (PhD, Psychology, University of Wyoming, 1986, 110 pages)

Milligan, Linda Jean – **“The UFO Debate: A Study of a Contemporary Legend”** (PhD, Folklore, Ohio State University, 1988, 624 pages)

Flaherty, Robert Pearson – **“Flying Saucers and the New Angelology: Mythic Projection of the Cold War”** (PhD, Folklore, UCLA, 1990, 726 pages)

Cross, Patricia Ann – **“A Social Psychological Investigation of UFO Sighters”** (MA, Social Psychology, Carleton University, 1992, 239 pages)

Mandelker, Scott Richard – **“From Elsewhere: An Examination of Extraterrestrial Identity”** (PhD, Cultural Anthropology, California Institute of Integral Studies, 1992, 183 pages)

Kerth, Linda – **“Pictorial Memory and UFO Phenomena: How Reliable is Eyewitness Testimony?”** (PhD, Psychology, Faculty of Rosebridge Graduate School, 1994, 234 pages)

Vacarr, Brenda – **“The Divine Container”** (PhD, Clinical Psychology, Union Institute, 1993, 148 pages)

Donovan, Derek Michael: **“Angels and Extraterrestrials in Contemporary Dramatic and Filmic Literature”** (MA, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1995, 155 pages)

Platz, Stephanie – **“Pasts and Futures: Space, History and Armenian Identity, 1988-1994”** (PhD, Philosophy, University of Chicago, 1996, 375 pages)
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Colli, Janet E, - **“The Role of Trauma in the Process of Entering the Magical Realm”** (PhD, Clinical Psychology, Union Institute, 1997, 360 pages)
Rice, David – **“Alien Home”** (Modern Literature, University of California, Irvine, 1997, 198 pages)

Day, Duncan J.A. – **“Psychological Correlates of the UFO Abduction Experience”** (PhD, Psychology, Concordia University, 1998, 240 pages)
Dean, Jodi – **“Aliens in America: Conspiracy Cultures from Outer Space to Cyberspace”** (Cornell University, 1998, 242 pages)*

Denzler, Brenda – **“The Lure of the Edge: Science, Religion and the Alien Abduction Movement”** (PhD, Religion, Duke University, 1998, 474 pages)*
Goerman, Patricia – **“Heaven’s Gate: A Sociological Perspective”** (MA, Sociology, University of Virginia, 1998, no paging)**

Bensimon, Serge – **“Experiences Ovniologiques: Influences des Medias Cinematographiques et Correlats de la Personnalite Fantasque et des Dimensions de la Conscience”** (M.Ps, Psychologie, Universite Laval, 1998, 106 pages)

Blann, Richard – **“The Roswell Incident: The Emergence of the UFO Community as a Subculture in America”** (Senior Honors Thesis, Brandeis University, 1998, 228 pages)

Leigh, Darren Laney – **“An Interference-Resistant Search for Extraterrestrial Microwave Beacons”** (PhD, Philosophy, Harvard University, 1998, 145 pages) **

Ronnevig, Georg – **“Alien Abductions: Historiske og Sosiokulturelle Tilnaerminger til Forestillinger om ha Vaert Bortfort av UFO”** (Institute for Cultural Studies, University of Oslo, 1999, 130 pages)

Quiros, Cristianne – **“Exo-Psychology Research: A Phenomenological Study of People Who Believe Themselves to be Alien-Human Hybrids”** (PhD, Philosophy, Pacifica Graduate Institute, 1999, 255 pages) **

Hoyt, Diana Palmer – **“UFOCRITIQUE: UFOs, Social Intelligence and the Condon Committee”** (MA, Science and Technology, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, 2000, 129 pages)

Isaksson, Stefan – **“New Religious UFO Movements: Extraterrestrial Salvation in Contemporary America”** (Directed Reading Assignment, California State University, Fresno, 2000, 85 pages)

Cross, Anne Boyle – **“A Confederacy of Faith and Fact: UFO Research and the Search for Other Worlds”** (PhD, Sociology, Yale University, 2000, 226 pages)

Zlotsky, Andres – **“Supposed Science, Alleged Fiction Distortion Patterns in the Transmission of Cultural Paradigms in the Twentieth Century”** (PhD, Philosophy, State University of New York, 2000, 391 pages) **

Abrassart, Jean-Michel – **“Approache Sociopsychologique du Phenomene O.V.N.I.”** (Faculte de Psychologie, Universite Catholique de Louvain, 2001, 158 pages)

Mitchell, Timothy A. – **“It Came from Inner Space: Faith, Science, Conquest and the War of the Worlds”** (MA, Communication, Georgetown University, 2001, 110 pages)

Brown, Bridget – **“The Terror is Real: The History and Politics of Alien Abduction”** (PhD, Philosophy, New York University, 2001, 380 pages)

Remington, John J. – **“The Effect of Reports of Extraterrestrial Abduction and Subsequent Mental Health Treatment: A Phenomenological Psychological Assessment”** (PhD, Psychology, California Institute of Integral Studies, 2001, 350 pages)

Henriksen, Krista – **“Alien Encounters: A Close Analysis of Personal Accounts of Extraterrestrial Experiences”** (MA, Sociology, Simon Fraser University, 2002, 89 pages) **

Schroeder, David – **“A Message from Mars: Astronomy and Late-Victorian Culture”** (PhD, Philosophy, Indiana University, 2002, 261 pages)**

Roubo, Kelly S. – **“Pop Culture and the UFO Narrative: Who’s Buying It, Who’s Selling It and Who’s Not Telling It?”** (MA, Folklore, Utah State University, 2002, 80 pages)

Rankissoonsingh, Ravi – **“UFO and Alien Encounter Narrative: A Cross-Cultural Analysis”** (MA, Charleton University, 2002, 117 pages)

Greenhalgh, Alan – **“Social Constructionist, Psychological, and Official Theories of UFOs”** (MA, Humanities, California State University, Dominguez Hills, 2002, 100 pages)

Coldwell, Charles – **“A Search for Interstellar Communications at Optical Wavelengths”**(PhD, Philosophy, Harvard University, 2002, 84 pages) **

Hinson, David – **“Comparing Stories of Extraterrestrials with Stories of Fairies”** (University of North Carolina, Asheville, 2003, 68 pages)

Garcia, Ignacio – **“Valores Simbolos y Representaciones en una Experiencia de Contacto Extraterrestre el Grupo Aztlan”** (Universidad Complutense, Madrid, 2003, 88 pages) **

Fricke, Arthur C. – **“SETI Science: Managing Alien Narratives”** (PhD, Philosophy, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2004, 473 pages)**

Smith, Cynthia – **“Shadows of Things to Come: The Theological Implications of Life on Other Worlds”** (MA, Georgia State University, 2004, no paging) **

Hanson, Tayah – **“The ‘Rael’ World: Narratives of the Raelian Movement”** (MA, Sociology, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, 2005, 116 pages)

Moberg, Jessica – **“Nar de Flygande Tefaten Landade I Folkhemmet”** (2006, 82 pages)

Boyer, Jan – **“UFO Myth and Theosophy”** (MA, Religious Studies, Norway Techno-Natural Science University, 2007, 102 pages)

Lees, Lori J. – **“‘They Can’t Occupy This Country’: A Symbolic Anthropological Approach to Extraterrestrial Encounter Narratives in American Culture”** (MA, Interdisciplinary Studies, University of Northern British Columbia, 2007, 102 pages) **