

Spring Term, 2003

Graduate Newsletter

Department of Philosophy

This Newsletter looks to provide information for the graduate community in Philosophy at the University of Warwick. Its content include advertisements from fellow graduates regarding philosophical happenings that occur alongside the formal courses and modules offered by the Department such as reading groups, study workshops and discussion fora that pertain to all things philosophical at this University. Many of these will relate to the Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature (CRPL), which may be approached by any graduate wishing to mount a project. Requests should be directed to the Centre Office, although it would be appropriate for a preliminary discussion to take place with the Director of Graduate Studies. Contact addresses and information can be found at the end of this Newsletter.

Ph.D. Work in Progress Seminar

These meetings will usually take place on **Wednesdays** in the Common Room. Papers will typically begin at **11.00am** lasting for up to an hour. There will be a short coffee-break and the sessions are due to finish at around **1.00pm**. Anyone wishing to involve themselves in presenting a paper in Week 2, 5 and 7 should contact Prof. Luntley *asap*. The sessions will begin in week 2 (Wednesday 15th January). This term looks as follows:

Week 2: *tba*

Week 5: *tba*

Week 7: *tba*

Week 8: *Hector Kollias*

Graduate Reading Groups

All graduates are encouraged to begin or join reading groups that are organised to pursue issues, authors and texts that are of interest to them. Feel free to suggest possibilities by posting them on the graduate notice board, or ask the graduate secretary, Debbi, to circulate information by e-mail. Reading groups that have been organised for this term include:

Kant's 3rd Critique Reading Group:

For people in London, there might be a reading group gathering to discuss Kant's *Critique of Judgement*. Please contact: pyrffw@csv.warwick.ac.uk (Tom Bailey) for further details...to meet in central London, every two or three weeks or so...

McDowell Reading Group:

The group will be reading selected texts from Nicholas H. Smith (ed.): *Reading McDowell - On Mind and World*, Routledge, GB, 2002. The preliminary (!) selection of texts is made using McDowell's concept of nature (and the role of 'second nature' in this) as a guiding thread.

The sessions will be held in the Common Room on Wednesdays from 3 to 5.

The group will also read McDowell's corresponding responses to the individual papers.

Queries: JaLindgaard@hotmail.com

There is a list of specific readings posted on the door of the Common Room.

Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature

Programme for Term 2

Colloquium in European Philosophy

(in conjunction with the Department of Philosophy)

Wed 22 Jan 5.30 pm
R1.13 Speaker: Professor Peter Dews (Essex)
Title: *Selfhood, Suffering and Reconciliation:
Schopenhauer's Transformation of Idealism*

Tues 4 Feb 5.30 pm
R1.13 Speaker: Dr Ray Brassier (Middlesex)
Title: *Solar Catastrophe: Lyotard, Freud & the Death-Drive*

Tues 18 Feb 5.30 pm
R1.13 Speaker: Dr Kimberly Hutchings (Edinburgh/LSE)
Title: *Political Time and the Possibilities of Progress*

Tues 4 March 5.30 pm
R1.13 Speaker: Professor Will Dudley (Williams College, MA, USA)
Title: *Impure Reason: Hegel on the Irrationality of the Rational*

Poetry and Philosophy Reading Group

This term we will be looking at work by
Peter Larkin, Michael Hulse and David Morley.
All welcome.

Meetings will take place in **S1.71**, between **1pm,-2pm** on the following dates:

Wed 22nd January, Wed 5th February, Wed 19th February and Wed 5th March.

Proust and Philosophy

Tues 14 Jan
5.30 pm Speaker: Dr Duncan Large (Swansea)
R1.13 Title: *Proust's Pharmacy*

Tues 28 Jan
5.30 pm Speaker: Dr Ingrid Wassenaar (Christ's College, Cambridge)
R1.13 Title: *Proust and Mourning: Apprehending Indifference*

Tues 11 Feb
5.30 pm Speaker: Professor Mauro Carbone (Milan)
R1.13 Title: *The Time of Half-Sleep:
Merleau-Ponty between Husserl and Proust*

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PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS OF MENTAL HEALTH Local Teaching Programme Spring 2003

Venue: S.242 (Social Studies); Generally, Module 3: 2-4pm; Module 4: 5-7pm

WEEK OF TERM / DATE/ TOPIC	MODULE 3 PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE	MODULE 4 ETHICS
1. January 6th PSYCHOPATHOLOGY AND EXPERT KNOWLEDGE	3.1 Problems with the notion of 'Theory Free' Data Speaker: Tim Thornton	4.1 Professional ethics Speaker: Sue Chetwynd
2. January 13th CLASSIFICATION	3.2 Realism and Natural Kinds Speaker: Tim Thornton	4.2 Values and Bias in Diagnosis Speaker: Bill Fulford
3. January 22th ASSESSMENT AND DIAGNOSIS	4.3 Rationality and responsibility: a medico-legal perspective Speaker: Mark Bratton	3.3 The Hypothetico-Deductive Method and Tacit Knowledge Speaker: Tim Thornton
4. January 27th AETIOLOGY	3.4 Causes, Laws, and Reasons #1 Speaker: Tim Thornton	3.5 Causes, Laws, and Reasons #2 Speaker: Tim Thornton
5. February 3rd AETIOLOGY	4.4 Mental health recovery?! Speaker: Piers Allott	4.5 Causal and meaningful connections in psychiatric ethics Speaker: Sue Chetwynd
6. February 10th TREATMENT	3.6 Reduction and Levels of Theory Speaker: Tim Thornton	4.6 Autonomy and capacity Speaker: Sue Chetwynd and Mark Bratton
7. February 17th PROGNOSIS	4.8 Research Ethics Speaker: Bill Fulford	3.7 Probability in medicine Speaker: Jane Hutton
8. February 24th RESEARCH	3.8 Progress, Proof and Evidence Speaker: Tim Thornton	4.7 Psychopathy and the management of dangerousness Speakers: Chris Heginbotham
9. March 3rd ORGANISATION OF SERVICES	3.9 Professional expertise Speaker Tim Thornton	4.9 Ethics of Community Care? Speaker: Chris Heginbotham
10. March 10th CLOSING SESSIONS	3.10, 4.10 EBM and VBM: fact and value in healthcare decision making (from the research frontier!) Speakers: Bill Fulford & Tim Thornton	4.10 Feedback Session & Open Discussion Chair: Bill Fulford

Any Queries? - Please contact Tim Thornton on 01203 522421 or
tim.thornton@warwick.ac.uk & tim.thornton@pemh.co.uk

Up to date versions of the timetable will be posted at www.pemh.co.uk and on the pemh bulletin board
at www.groups.yahoo.com/group/pemh

Classics Research Group

Tues 28 Jan

4 pm

H545

Speaker: Dr George Boys-Stones (Durham)

Title: *Physiognomy in Plato*

Followed by drinks & discussion. All welcome.

Tues 25 Feb

4 pm

H454

Speaker: Dr Alison Cooley (Warwick)

Title: *Looking for 'Roman' Religion*

Followed by drinks & discussion. All welcome.

Lectures/Seminars

Tues 11 Mar

5.30 pm

R1.13

Guest Lecture

Speaker: Professor Stephen Mulhall (New College, Oxford)

Title: *The Human Voice and Aliens*

Thurs 27 Feb

PS128

Ancient & Continental Workshop

This one-day workshop will explore a wide range of creative appropriations of ancient philosophy by modern European thinkers.

Contact Dr John Sellars,

john.sellars@btopenworld.com for further info.

Forthcoming...

Conferences

Fri 30 May, **Philosophy of Nature Conference**

Speakers include: Professor Nuno Nabais (Lisbon), Professor Renaud Barbaras (France), Professor Howard Caygill (Goldsmiths College, London), Dr Robin Durie (Staffordshire), Professor Stephen Houlgate (Warwick).

Sat 3 May, **Ancient Materialism Conference**

Speakers include: Dr Catherine Osborne (Liverpool), Mrs Lesley Brown (Oxford), Professor David Sedley (Cambridge), Dr James Warren (Cambridge).

12-14 September, **Nietzsche, Art, and Aesthetics Conference**

Speakers include: Professor Marco Casanova (UERJ, Rio de Janeiro), Professor Daniel W Conway (Penn State), Professor Dave E Cooper (Durham), Professor Robert Gooding-Williams (Northwestern), Dr Béatrice Han-Pile (Essex), Dr Rachel Jones (Dundee), Professor Nuno Nabias (Lisbon), Dr Matthew Rampley (Edinburgh College of Art), Dr Aaron Ridley (Southampton), Professor Gary Shapiro (Richmond), Dr James Williams (Dundee).

Further details of these events can be obtained from the Centre Secretary, Heather Jones, on extension 22582 (email H.A.Jones@warwick.ac.uk)

.....ATTENTION NEW POSTGRADUATES.....

***Pli*: The Warwick Journal of Philosophy**

MA and PhD students in philosophy are encouraged to get involved with running and editing *Pli*, a journal of philosophy edited by graduate philosophy students at Warwick. *Pli* is published twice yearly with each volume focused on a particular philosophical theme, publishing papers by well known philosophers (e.g. Zizek, Badiou, Deleuze) as well as those by new and upcoming thinkers. Recent volumes include Foucault: Madness/Sexuality/Biopolitics, What is Materialism? and Nietzsche: Revenge and Praise. We will be having a meeting some time in October for those interested in helping with the next issue. Look out for notices on the notice board, or email us at pli_journal@hotmail.com to add your name to the email list. Have a look at our website, www.warwick.ac.uk/philosophy/pli_journal for more details of past volumes of *Pli*.

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