

Calendar of Events

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October 1, 2023

HOPOS - Call for Papers

University of Vienna

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM MEA

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Call for Papers: HOPOS 2024 at The University of Vienna, July 9-12, 2024.

The International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS) will hold its biennial international congress at the University of Vienna, Austria, 9–12 July 2024. The Society hereby requests proposals for papers and symposia to be presented at the meeting.

Submission deadline: extended to Oct. 1 2023.

HOPOS is devoted to promoting serious, scholarly research on the history of the philosophy of science. We construe this subject broadly, to include topics in the history of related disciplines and in all historical periods, studied through diverse methodologies. We aim to promote historical work in a variety of ways, but especially through encouraging exchange among scholars through meetings, publications, and electronic media. The program committee particularly encourages submissions on philosophical themes that cross time periods. The conference language is English.

The conference will take place directly after "Paul Feyerabend and Austrian Philosophy: His Formative Years in Postwar Vienna", an international conference also to be held at the University of Vienna, from July 5-6, 2024.

Guidelines for Submissions:

HOPOS 2024 accepts two types of submissions: contributed papers and symposia, which are topical collections of 3-4 papers intended to be presented in a single session.

To submit a proposal, contributors will need to create and account on the HOPOS 2024 website. Proposals for contributed papers and symposia should be prepared for anonymous review.

Proposals for contributed papers should include:

Title of the paper.

Abstract of the paper (maximum 500 words).

Contact information for all co-authors.

Proposals for symposia should include:

Title of the symposium.

Symposium summary statement (maximum 500 words).

Titles and abstracts of the papers (maximum 500 words for each paper).

Contact information for all symposiasts.

Further details about the conference are available at: <https://hopos2024.univie.ac.at>.

The direct link to the submission portal is <https://hopos2024.dryfta.com>.

HOPOS will continue its tradition of holding a mentoring program for junior scholars during the conference. Details will also become available on the conference website, <https://hopos2024.univie.ac.at/>.

Local Organizing Committee:

Martin Kusch, Georg Schiemer, Friedrich Stadler and Elisabeth Nemeth

Program Committees:

Kant and Before:

David M. Miller, Chair (Auburn University)

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Vincenzo De Risi (Laboratoire SPHère, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science)

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Erich Reck (University of California, Riverside)

Michael Stoeltzner (University of South Carolina)

For further questions and inquiries, please contact webmaster@hopos.org.

October 6, 2023
- October 7, 2023

History of the Philosophy of Pregnancy

University of Dayton

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM EST

History of the Philosophy of Pregnancy, 510 290 2962

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Given that historical scholarship on reproduction focuses on conception and development, this conference aims to recover a history of the philosophy of pregnancy and gestation.

October 6, 2023
- October 8, 2023

History of the Philosophy of Pregnancy Conference

Kennedy Union Ballroom, University of Dayton

300 College Park

Dayton, Oh 45469

08:30 AM - 06:30 PM EST

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November 1, 2023
- February 1, 2024

CFP: World Congress of Philosophy 2024

Rome, Italy

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM MEA

Sherrilyn Roush, 7134190298

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Submit a paper or a proposal for a panel for the 25th World Congress of Philosophy, Rome, Italy, August 2024. Papers: 1,800 words or less

December 31, 2023

Synthese TC on minimal (anti-) metaphysics

Synthese

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

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Call for Papers: Synthese topical collection on minimal (anti-) metaphysics

Guest editors: Tobias Henschen (Cologne), Andreas Hüttemann (Cologne)

Topical Collection Description: The metaphysics of science debate is often characterized as dividing philosophers who endorse positions of “maximal” metaphysics and “maximal” anti-metaphysics: philosophers who believe and philosophers who refuse to believe that the content or practice of science is to be explained in terms of unobservable entities, that these entities exist independently of the content and practice of science, that explanations in terms of these entities are (approximately) true, and that we can come to know that these explanations are true, and the negation of this position. What often remains unnoticed is that the metaphysics of science debate has shifted: that the leading participants in the debate have moved toward more moderate positions – positions that can be referred to as positions of “minimal” metaphysics and “minimal” anti-metaphysics. Like maximal metaphysicians, minimal metaphysicians believe that the content or practice of science is to be explained in terms of unobservable entities (for instance, structure), and that these entities exist independently of the content and practice of science. But unlike maximal metaphysicians, minimal metaphysicians emphasize the fallibility of their positions and restrict their ontological commitments to some minimal set of entities. Like maximal anti-metaphysicians, minimal anti-metaphysicians believe that the content or practice of science is not to be explained in terms of unobservable entities that exist independently of the content or practice of science. But unlike maximal anti-metaphysicians, minimal anti-metaphysicians believe that the content or practice of science is to be explained in terms of phenomenal entities, or that scientific realism about observable entities needs to be extended to “unobservable” entities that (like subatomic particles) can be “observed” by our aided senses. The planned collection is supposed to describe the shift in the metaphysics of science debate by providing a forum for the various positions of minimal (anti-) metaphysics that have been defended more recently, for clarifications or elaborations of these positions, and for the arguments and methods that have been or can be employed in support or against these positions.

Appropriate topics for submission include

presentations, clarifications, or elaborations of and arguments for or against

positions of (anti-) metaphysics that qualify as “minimal” in the sense described above, or in a similar sense. These positions include (but are not limited to) variants of

*ontic structural realism,
pragmatism,
conventionalism,
neo-Kantianism,
Super Humeanism*

For further information, please contact Tobias Henschen (lead guest editor):

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The deadline for submissions is 31 December 2023.

Submissions via: <https://www.editorialmanager.com/synt/default.aspx>

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December 31, 2023

**Call for papers: Karl Popper and Twentieth-First Century Philosophy of Science
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology**

Clear Water Bay

Hong Kong,

11:30 PM - 11:45 PM CHI

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This conference aims to revisit and explore Popper's legacy for twentieth-first century philosophy of science?.

The topics to be discussed include but are not limited to:

Popper and induction

Popper and evolutionary biology

Popper and evolutionary epistemology

Popper and objectivity

Popper and probability

Popper and scientific change

Popper and the demarcation problem

Popper and the methodological holism/individualism debate

Popper and verisimilitude

*Please submit a 500-word abstract for blind review by 31 December 2023
at <https://easychair.org/cfp/Popper24>.*

January 12, 2024

Call for papers: Philosophy of Science and Epistemology

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

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This conference aims to explore fruitful ways of integrating philosophy of science and epistemology by promoting dialogues between philosophers of science and epistemologists. The questions to be addressed include but are not limited to:

What is scientific knowledge?

Is scientific knowledge different from other kinds of knowledge?

Who can have scientific knowledge? In what sense?

What is scientific testimony?

Is know-how reducible to know-that in the context of science?

What are plausible ways to naturalise epistemology?

Please submit a 500-word abstract for blind review via Easychair by 12 January 2024.

January 15, 2024

11th International Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable

URL tbc

09:00 AM - 05:30 PM GMT

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Call for Abstracts: 11th International Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable, 9-10 May 2024

Hosted online by the Durham-Johannesburg Centre for Philosophy of Epidemiology, Medicine, and Public Health

Abstracts of 250 words are invited for the 10th Roundtable. The format will be online, and submissions from those who might previously have been unable to travel to physical roundtables for whatever reason are therefore particularly encouraged. Speakers will have 45 minutes to speak. Any topic in the philosophy of medicine, epidemiology, public health, and allied fields is welcome, and will be considered on an equal basis, but we would be particularly interested to receive papers on AI and medicine or public health. Speakers will be invited to submit a paper to a special issue of Philosophy of Medicine after the conference.

Submit abstracts to philosmedroundtable24@gmail.com

Deadline: 15 Jan 2024

More info...

February 9, 2024
- February 10, 2024

Prediction and Punishment: Cross-Disciplinary Workshop on Carceral AI
University of Pittsburgh
1008 Cathedral of Learning
Pittsburgh, Pa 15213
2pm on 2-9-2024 and 9am on 2-10-2024
Chantel Snodgrass, 4126241052
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Prediction and Punishment: Cross-Disciplinary Workshop on Carceral AI
Center for Philosophy of Science
University of Pittsburgh

This cross-disciplinary workshop will provide an interactive meeting point for researchers to address the expanding use of AI in criminal legal contexts. We use the term 'carceral AI' to refer to a broad class of algorithmic and data-driven practices implicated in the control and incarceration of people. Examples include predictive policing, facial recognition, recidivism risk assessment instruments, automatic license plate readers, border surveillance systems, biometric databases, electronic monitoring, and audio gunshot locators. Such technologies are often introduced as 'smart', 'evidence-based', or 'data-driven' reforms that claim to reduce bias and increase efficiency, such as 'evidence-based' sentencing and 'smart' borders. In practice, however, AI systems can interact in complicated ways with existing social and legal structures, reinforce or mask existing structural injustices, and expand the reach of carceral systems under the guise of scientific rigor. Participants in this workshop are invited to explore how such technologies both inform and interact with topics including incarceration, policing, migration, privatization, surveillance, racial and gender justice, and resistance. We welcome contributions from civil society organizations and academic researchers from disciplines including but not limited to philosophy, law, and the social sciences. Participants will be invited to contribute to a special report on carceral AI.

Keynote Speakers:
Shakeer Rahman, Stop LAPD Spying Coalition
Megan Stevenson, University of Virginia Law School
Pablo Nuñez, Centro de Estudos de Segurança e Cidadania (CESeC)
Gabrielle Johnson, Claremont McKenna College, Department of Philosophy

February 20, 2024
- February 21, 2024

Templeton-Sowerby Joint Workshop: Function and Dysfunction in Medicine and Psychiatry
London, England
09:00 AM - 05:00 PM GMT
Justin Garson, 3478845339
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The John Templeton Foundation-funded project 'Agency, Directionality and Function' at the City University of New York, and the Sowerby Philosophy and Medicine Project at King's College London jointly invite submissions for an interdisciplinary workshop on 'Function and Dysfunction in Medicine and Psychiatry'.

May 9, 2024
- May 10, 2024

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The 11th International Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable will be held on Thu 9 and Fri 10 May 2024. For the first time the conference will be online. In-person conferences have many advantages, but the cost and time commitment can be prohibitive for many potential attendees. We hope that the online format will enable a wide participation base from many places and life circumstances.

The event is hosted by the Centre for Philosophy of Epidemiology, Medicine, and Public Health, a joint enterprise between Durham University and the University of Johannesburg. It is supported by the Departments of Philosophy at both universities, and the Institute for Medical Humanities at Durham.

June 12, 2024
- June 14, 2024

Karl Popper and Twentieth-First Century Philosophy of Science

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Karl Popper (1902-1994) is one of the most influential philosophers of science of the 20th century. He famously proposed that falsifiability is the genuine virtue of science and the criterion of the scientific status of a theory. Based on this, he developed a systematic account of scientific method and scientific development, namely, falsificationism. In addition, Popper played an important role in promoting the historical turn in 20th century philosophy of science. The debate over the nature and development of science between him and Thomas Kuhn dominated and sparked many discussions in the late 1960s philosophy of science. Moreover, Popper wrote on a variety of topics, including evolutionary biology, methodological individualism, and probability. However, Popper's legacy on contemporary philosophy of science is surprisingly thin. Although his writings are still a must-read in any introductory philosophy of science course, there is no lively Popperian philosophy of science. His falsificationism is not viewed as a plausible account of scientific development. Nor is his solution to the problem of induction regarded as a successful or promising move. This conference aims to revisit and explore Popper's legacy for 21st century philosophy of science.

June 27, 2024
- June 28, 2024

Philosophy of Science and Epistemology
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There has been an engulfing gap between philosophy of science and epistemology. It is not unusual for an epistemologist to get lost in a philosophy of science conference. Nor is it surprising for a philosopher of science to get bored, or even confused, with a discussion full of Gettierian examples. That being said, this is very unfortunate. Good philosophy of science will ultimately contribute to answering general epistemological questions, while good epistemology will shed light on how science is and should be practised. Philosophy of science and epistemology should have been much closer to each other than actually are. This conference aims to explore fruitful ways of integrating philosophy of science and epistemology by promoting dialogues between philosophers of science and epistemologists.

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