

Calendar of Events

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June 1, 2026
- June 5, 2026

Bordeaux Summer School - Philosophy in biology and medicine

University of Bordeaux

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

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Bordeaux Summer School - Philosophy in biology and medicine

June 1 - 5, 2026 in Bordeaux, France

Organized by the PhillnBioMed network and the Conceptual Biology and Medicine Team in Bordeaux.

PhillnBioMed is both an interdisciplinary institute located at the University of Bordeaux and an international network connecting groups and people working at the interface between philosophy, biology, and medicine, with the shared conviction that conceptual and philosophical approaches can make a critical contribution.

Over the course of a week, around 25 young researchers (Master students, doctoral candidates and post-doctoral fellows) from the fields of philosophy, life sciences and medicine will come together and learn to address conceptual questions in scientific research using interdisciplinary methods. Conceptually/theoretically-oriented biologists and MDs are strongly encouraged to apply!

Experienced researchers from philosophy and biomedical fields will be present to share practical examples of interdisciplinary collaboration from their careers and to advise and interact with participants throughout the week. An important part of the summer school is a research activity in which groups of participants work together with experts on the different steps of a "Philosophy in Science" project. The programme also includes social activities, "speed dating," and plenty of opportunity for informal discussions to promote exchange between participants.

This summer school is a unique opportunity for young researchers to develop new interdisciplinary approaches that will benefit them throughout their careers. Participants will not only learn about specific concepts and scientific advances, but also how to view their own field of research from a new perspective.

This year's course leaders and speakers:

- › Alan COHEN (*Health and aging, University of Columbia*)
- › Scott GILBERT (*EvoDevo, Swarthmore College*)
- › Elis JONES (*Philosophy of marine biology, Technical University of Munich*)
- › Adeline LE CABEC (*Dental anthropology, University of Bordeaux & CNRS*)
- › Maël LEMOINE (*Philosophy of aging, University of Bordeaux*)
- › Mathilde LEQUIN (*Philosophy of paleoanthropology, University of Bordeaux*)
- › Carlo MALEY (*Cancer and evolution, Arizona State University*)
- › Thomas PRADEU (*Philosophy of immunology and cancer biology, University of Bordeaux & CNRS*)
- › Lisa ROUX (*Neuroscience, University of Bordeaux & CNRS*)
- › Jonathan SHOLL (*Philosophy of nutritional science, University of Bordeaux*)
- › Christopher STEVENS (*Philosophy of neuroscience, University of Bordeaux*)
- › Marie VASSE (*Ecology and evolution, University of Bordeaux*)

- › Orsolya VINCZE (*Cancer and evolution, University of La Rochelle*)

Organizers:

- › Fridolin GROSS (*University of Bordeaux*)
- › Jan Pieter KONSMAN (*CNRS & University of Bordeaux*)

Information and application:

<https://bss-philinbiomed.u-bordeaux.fr/en/>

Deadline for application: March 15th, 2026

June 7, 2026
- June 12, 2026

4th Lake Como INEM Summer School in Philosophy of Economics

Villa del Grumello, Como, Italy

12:00 AM - 11:45 PM EST

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The 4th Lake Como INEM Summer School in Philosophy of Economics will be held in Villa del Grumello, Como, Italy, June 7-12, 2026.

Invited speakers

Emrah Aydinonat (University of Helsinki)

Alessandra Basso (London School of Economics)

Antoinette Baujard (Université Saint-Etienne)

Shaun Hargreaves Heap (King's College)

Catherine Herfeld (Leibniz University Hannover)

Guilhem Lecouteux (Université Côte d'Azur)

Patricia Rich (University of Bayreuth)

Jack Vromen (Erasmus University Rotterdam)

Activities

The School's program will feature lectures by the invited speakers, student presentations, one-to-one tutorials, workshops, and social activities.

Participation

Participation is reserved to PhD students, young scholars (PhD degree obtained after January 2022), and advanced master students who intend to pursue a PhD.

Applications

To apply, please send a CV, contact details of an academic reference, and a paper in English to caterina.marchionni@unimi.it. The paper should either be an extended abstract (750-1,000 words), or a full draft of up to 7,500 words. Send your applications by January 31, 2026. Decisions will be communicated by early March 2026. The school will accept up to 21 participants.

Scientific and Organizing Committee

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Organizers

The 4th Lake Como INEM Summer School is co-organized by the Lake Como School of Advanced Studies, the International Network for Economic Method (INEM), the University of Insubria, and the University of Milan.

June 9, 2026
- June 11, 2026

2026 Forum on Philosophy, Engineering and Technology

University of Maryland, College Park

10:00 AM - 05:00 PM EST

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The 2026 Forum on Philosophy, Engineering, and Technology abstracts are due 1/25. Since 2007, fPET's mission is to encourage reflection on engineering, engineers, and technology.

June 15, 2026
- June 18, 2026

Disinformation Summer Institute
IslandWood on Bainbridge Island, Washington
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST
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Applications for the second-ever Disinformation Summer Institute, which is co-sponsored by CSSN are due in one month, are now open! This 4-day, intensive summer institute is intended primarily for advanced PhD candidates, advanced law and medical students, post-docs and early career researchers seeking to better understand and address disinformation, but more senior scholars and practitioners who have recently moved into this domain are also encouraged to apply.

Apply for the Disinformation Summer Institute taking place this June at IslandWood on Bainbridge Island, Washington. Applications are short and due February 15th, 2026. Applicants will hear back in March. <https://disinfoinstitute.org/>

There is no fee to attend. The cost of economy travel and lodging will be covered for graduate students and at least partially defrayed for post-docs and assistant professors. Please indicate on the application form what you will need.

We are grateful to the Center for an Informed Public at the University of Washington, the Rockefeller Family Fund, the Climate Social Science Network at Brown University, and the Institute for Practical Ethics at UC San Diego for support.

June 16, 2026
- June 17, 2026

Entity Realism Beyond Manipulation
University of Bern
Hochschulstrasse 4
Bern, Switzerland, 3012
11:30 AM - 06:00 PM CET
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This workshop explores how entity realism could be extended to areas of science in which experimental manipulation in the traditional sense is impossible.

June 22, 2026

CFP: Philosophy of Science and Ethics of Science in the Context of A. Schopenhauer

Münster Palace, Germany

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

Jens,

Lemanski

We are pleased to announce the call for abstracts for the international conference “Philosophy of Science and Ethics of Science in the Context of A. Schopenhauer”, which will take place at Münster Palace, Germany, from 30 November to 1 December 2026.

The conference invites contributions in English or German and will bring together historical and systematic approaches to the philosophy of science and the ethics of science in relation to Arthur Schopenhauer’s philosophy.

We welcome submissions on topics including, but not limited to, Schopenhauer’s philosophy of science, scientific explanation and causality, the classification of the sciences, the ethics of scientific practice, responsibility and compassion in science, Schopenhauer’s reception in the special sciences, animal ethics, environmental ethics, and sustainability. Contributions that combine historical scholarship with systematic analysis are especially welcome, though purely historical papers are also very welcome.

Please send an abstract of approximately 300–500 words for a 30-minute presentation to:

jenslemanski+cfp26@uni-muenster.de

Submissions will be subject to peer review. We especially encourage submissions from early career researchers. The strongest submissions may be eligible for conference travel support.

Important dates

Submission deadline: 22 June 2026

Notification of acceptance: 13 July 2026

Conference: 30 November – 1 December 2026

An international publication of selected papers is planned.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.uni-muenster.de/Wissenschaftstheorie/en/veranstaltungen/Schopenhauer.html>

June 30, 2026

CFP: Journal of Cognitive Science (JCS)

Seoul National University, Korea (Online Submissions)

12:00 PM - 12:00 PM GMT

Institute for Cognitive Science, Seoul National University, N/A

j-cs@j-cs.org

Call for Papers: Journal of Cognitive Science (JCS), Seoul National University. Interdisciplinary cognitive science research. Submissions welcome anytime.

June 30, 2026
- July 3, 2026

2026 Usyd HPS Winter School / ANZPhilbio Workshop

Q-Station, Manly, Sydney, Australia

09:00 AM - 05:00 PM AEST

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The University of Sydney's HPS Program and the Australia/New Zealand Philosophy of Biology workshop welcomes submissions on philosophy, history and social studies of biology.

July 23, 2026
- July 24, 2026

STS for Resilient Futures: Advancing research on climate, technology, and societal information

Mandarin Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

662 Rama IV Road

Bang Rak, Ba 10500

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM BUR

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Chulalongkorn University's Social Research Institute is pleased to announce the international conference "STS for Resilient Futures 2026: Science, Technology, and Society in the Era of Climate and Digital Transition" on July 23–24, 2026, at the Mandarin Hotel in Bangkok. This year's theme includes: Resilience and Disaster Management; AI and Digital Transformation; Climate Sustainability, Health and Well-Being; Food Security and Biodiversity; and Energy and Green Transition. Scholars and practitioners in related topics are encouraged to submit 300-word abstracts before the Submission Deadline May 15, 2026, via email: cusriglobal@gmail.com.

Additional details are available on the conference

website: <https://www.cusri-sts2026.com/>

July 23, 2026
- July 24, 2026

STS for Resilient Futures 2026: Science, Technology, and Society in the Era of Climate and Digital

Mandarin Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand

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Chulalongkorn University's Social Research Institute (CUSRI) is pleased to extend the abstract submission deadline of our upcoming conference "STS for Resilient Futures 2026: Science, Technology, and Society in the Era of Climate and Digital

Transition" through June 20. The conference will be held on July 23-24, 2026, at the

Mandarin Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand. The year's keynote speech features Professor

Wen-Hua KUO, the President of Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)

and Dr. Eligar SADEH, Chief Editor of Astropolitics.

We invite proposals for papers, panels, and roundtables engaging on any subjects

related to Science and Technology Studies (STS). We encourage the submission of

300-word abstracts related to interdisciplinary research bridging science, technology,

and social science via email to cusriglobal@gmail.com. Additionally, we welcome

anyone who wishes to partner with us to host annual meetings or workshops alongside

our events with our logistical support. Additional details are available

on <https://www.cusri-sts2026.com/>

August 12, 2026
- August 14, 2026

Philosophy of Biology at Madison (POBAM) 2026

University of Wisconsin-Madison

09:00 AM - 06:00 PM CST

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POBAM is a philosophy of biology workshop that began at the University of Wisconsin, Madison in 2010 and moved to the University of Utah in 2018. As of 2026, it will be back in Madison! At its core, POBAM aims to showcase innovative work in philosophy of biology and to identify new areas that philosophers of biology might work on.

Workshops are structured to provide constructive feedback, training with peers and for junior scholars, and opportunity for informal and friendly discussions, while encouraging work bridging philosophy, biology, and other cognate fields. Keynote speakers include Yasmin Haddad (Université du Québec à Montréal), Rose Novick (University of Washington) and Anne Pringle (UW Madison, Botany).

November 3, 2026
- November 6, 2026

XIV Conference of the Southern Cone Association for the Philosophy and History of Science

Universidad de Valparaiso

10:00 AM - 06:00 PM EST

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The Southern Cone Association of Philosophy and History of Science (AFHIC) invites international researchers to participate in the XIV AFHIC Meeting, to be held from November 3 to 6, 2026, in Valparaíso, Chile.

January 15, 2027

**Synthese Topical Collection: Against the Grain: Developing the Prospects of Non-Naturalistic
online**

all day

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Call for Papers

*Synthese Topical Collection: Against the Grain: Developing the Prospects of
Non-Naturalistic Metaphysics of Science*

Guest Editors:

Raoni Arroyo (Federal University of Santa Catarina / CNPq, Brazil)

Bruno Borge (University of Buenos Aires / CONICET, Argentina),

Cristián Soto (University of Chile, Chile).

Topical Collection website: <https://link.springer.com/collections/djihfehdbd>

A key feature of recent developments in the metaphysics of science is that it has mostly, if not exclusively, been developed within a naturalistic framework. For our purposes, naturalism can broadly be conceived in any of the following ways: it can be understood as continuous with, constrained by, derived from, or useful to science.

What all these have in common is a deferential attitude towards science, which may roughly be spelled out as follows: when it comes to ontology, methodology, or epistemology, metaphysicians of science should best defer such issues to science (particularly physics). Most, if not all, more or less recent developments that “take science seriously” fall under the naturalistic umbrella. One possible consequence of this default naturalistic orientation is that it may unduly restrict the scope of legitimate metaphysical inquiry.

We understand non-naturalistic metaphysics of science as a style of metaphysical practice whose problems need not exclusively arise within or emanate from the sciences. More specifically, it is a kind of metaphysics that remains oriented toward science without treating science as the sole source of its problems, methods, or epistemic credentials. In this context, by “non-naturalistic” we do not mean metaphysics that ignores, or floats free from, science, but rather metaphysical inquiry that engages with science without being fully grounded in, derived from, or subordinated to it.

The aim of the Topical Collection is not merely to criticize naturalism, but to articulate positive alternatives: ways of doing metaphysics of science that engage with scientific practices, examine the metaphysical assumptions and frontiers of science, and remain epistemically relevant to our overall scientific outlook without adopting a deferential stance toward science.

By contrast, naturalistic metaphysics of science has science as the proper ontological, epistemic, and methodological ground of metaphysical inquiry. Non-naturalistic metaphysics of science asks and addresses metaphysical issues properly, which can rightfully be considered as yielding genuine epistemic contributions to our knowledge or understanding of how the world is or could be.

Appropriate Topics for Submission include, among others:

Critiques of naturalism in metaphysics of science

Scientific antirealism and its bearing on metaphysics

Non-realist approaches to metaphysics

Pragmatist approaches

Perspectival approaches

Pluralism in scientific ontology

Meinongian and non-standard ontologies

Fictionalism

Empiricism and its relation to the metaphysics of science

Descriptive (Strawsonian) metaphysics

Mutualist or co-constitutive accounts of the science–metaphysics relation

The role of a priori reasoning in the metaphysics of science

Framework-oriented approaches to the metaphysics of science

Feminist, social, or situated approaches to scientific knowledge and metaphysics

This list is not meant to be exhaustive.

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The deadline for submissions is January 15, 2027.

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

Please select “Submit New Manuscript” and choose the Topical Collection “Against the Grain: Developing the Prospects of Non-Naturalistic Metaphysics of Science” from the drop-down menu.

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