

Calendar of Events

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January 31, 2025

CFP: Meta-Level Reflections on the Scientific Realism Debate

University of Bern, Switzerland

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM CET

Matthias Egg, +41 31 684 37 83

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This conference discusses the value of the current debate on scientific realism and the methods used to pursue it. Relevant subtopics are the role of case studies, the adoption of epistemic stances and the usefulness of the debate for science, science policy, or society at large.

February 1, 2025

International Philosophy of Medicine Roundtable

King's College London

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

Hamed Tabatabaei Ghomi, 0044 20 7848 4105

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Call for Abstracts

We welcome philosophical papers on all aspects of health, health care, and medicine including nursing, midwifery and allied disciplines (we normally do not accept papers in applied medical ethics).

To submit a paper, please send a 500-word abstract

to <https://forms.gle/nucsoXqbhMmcuWXR5> by February 1st, 2025. Abstracts will undergo masked review and should not contain information that will allow identification of the author. Contributed papers will be allocated a 30 min slot (including discussion). A poster session will be held as well.

Important dates

Submission deadline: February 1st, 2025

Notification of acceptance: in about six weeks

Conference dates: June 2nd and 3rd, 2025

Fellowships

We aim to support early-career scholars participating in the conference by offering contributions toward travel expenses, subject to the availability of funding. All early career scholars who are presenting a paper at the conference are eligible and can indicate whether they want to be considered for the grant as part of the submission process. Awardees will be selected based on submission quality as emerged from the reviewers' scores (in case of equal judgment, the candidate at an earlier career stage will have precedence). After decisions have been made, selected early career scholars will be contacted by the organizers.

Accessibility

The Roundtable will be an in-person conference. However, it will also be streamed and, on a case-by-case basis, the organizers may arrange for a remote presentation if needed to accommodate a disability or medical restriction.

Contacts

Questions regarding submissions or the Roundtable should be directed to philandmed@kcl.ac.uk.

Local Organizers

Hamed Tabatabaei Ghomi (hamed.tabatabaei_ghomi@kcl.ac.uk), Rivkah Hatchwell, Harriet Fagerberg (hf407@cam.ac.uk), Hugo Heagren (hugo.heagren@kcl.ac.uk), and Elselijn Kingma (elselijn_kingma@kcl.ac.uk).

Scientific committee

Atocha Aliseda, Rachel Ankeny, Robyn Bluhm, Giovanni Boniolo, Kirstin Borgerson, Raffaella Campaner, Jonathan Fuller, Maël Lemoine, Jeremy Simon, Elselijn Kingma, and Sean Valles

February 3, 2025

Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Association Call for papers.

University of California, Santa Barbara

11:45 PM - 11:45 PM ALA

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The second biennial meeting of the Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Association will be held at the University of California, Santa Barbara, April 24-26 2025. The deadline for submissions is Feb 3. Submit an abstract for consideration for the main program or a poster. Qualified early career researchers may also submit a full paper for the PAMBA essay prize. Please see the CFP for details.

February 15, 2025
- February 16, 2025

Â Philosophy of High Energy Physics (PHEP-2) conference
University of Pittsburgh
1117 Cathedral of Learning
Pittsburgh, Pa 15260
09:00 AM - 05:00 PM EST
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Philosophy of High Energy Physics (PHEP-2)

Workshop Dates: February 15-16, 2025

The second Pittsburgh workshop on philosophy of particle and high energy physics will be held at the Center for Philosophy of Science on 15th-16th February 2025. The theme is construed broadly to include cosmology, astrophysics, quantum gravity and quantum field theory insofar as they overlap with issues in high-energy physics.

Organizing committee

Marian Gilton

David Wallace

Porter Williams

Confirmed Speakers

James Fraser

Marian Gilton

Adam Koberinski

Siddharth Muthukrishnan

Laura Ruetsche

Chris Smeenk

David Wallace

Porter Williams

Call for Papers – The deadline for submissions is September 30th at midnight. Please send all submissions to phep2025@gmail.com.

March 13, 2025
- March 14, 2025

Conference on Artificial Intelligence: Analysis of Rationality and Ethical Reflections
University of A Coruña, Spain
Faculty of Humanities and Documentation
Ferrol (A Coruña), Sp 15403
08:30 AM - 09:00 PM CET
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Recent developments in Artificial Intelligence require analysis in terms of rationality and ethical reflection. This concerns the assumptions, content and limits of both the AI ??that is already available and the contributions of generative AI.

March 15, 2025
- March 16, 2025

Pragmatism and Measurement: New Directions - University of Pittsburgh
University of Pittsburgh
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09:00 AM - 06:00 PM EST
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Measurement is a central activity in the acquisition of scientific knowledge. With increasing attention to scientific practice, there is renewed interest determining what contributes to the reliability of measurement, its accuracy, and precision. The epistemology and metaphysics of measurement raise fundamental questions about the relationship between scientific theories and models, human actions, and the natural world. These include:

- 1. The representational and informational character of measurements (What do they measure?)*
- 2. The evaluation of measurement outcomes (How should we assess the validity or reliability of a measurement process?)*
- 3. The objectivity of measurements (How is the measurement process guided by theory? How is it independent? What are the implications for the status of measurement as evidence?)*

This workshop will explore how a philosophically pragmatist epistemology and metaphysics addresses these questions, and how pragmatist frameworks might transform our understanding of the character and constituents of successful scientific measurement.

Confirmed Keynote Speakers:

Nancy Cartwright, UCSD and Durham
Hasok Chang, University of Cambridge
Eran Tal, McGill University

March 16, 2025

Philosophy in the Wild 2025

Sideling Hill Creek State Park

11110 Ziegler Rd SE

Hancock, MD 21750

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

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Philosophy in the Wild invites abstract submissions for presentations at our fifth annual conference, on Environmental Philosophy; Summer 2025, Sideling Hill Creek State Park, Maryland.

March 27, 2025

- March 29, 2025

10th Conference for Integrated History and Philosophy of Science

California Institute of Technology

08:30 AM - 11:45 PM PST

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Integrated History and Philosophy of Science, 10th conference

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, 27-29 March 2025

March 27, 2025

- March 28, 2025

Workshop ?Scientific Pluralism, Epistemic Diversity, and Progress in Science?

University of Wuppertal, Germany

Kasinostrasse 19-21

Wuppertal, 42103

09:00 AM - 06:00 PM EST

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The workshop investigates the complex relationship between scientific pluralism, epistemic diversity and scientific progress, both theoretically and through the examination of case studies.

April 2, 2025

- April 4, 2025

Large Language Models for the History, Philosophy, and Sociology of Science (Workshop)

Technische Universität Berlin, Germany

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

Adrian Wüthrich, +49 30 314 24069

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We invite contributions to our workshop on using large language models (LLMs) in the history, philosophy, and sociology of science (HPSS). The workshop will focus on exploring use cases and proposals for how, and to what extent, LLMs might help overcome long-standing challenges in studies of how science works. The event will take place from April 2–4, 2025, at Technische Universität Berlin, Germany. Attendance (online and on site) will be free and open to the public but registration will be required. To contribute a talk, please submit abstracts of 300–600 words by December 31, 2024, to arno.simons@tu-berlin.de

April 2-4, 2025, Technische Universität Berlin, Germany

Organized by: Gerd Graßhoff, Arno Simons, Adrian Wüthrich, and Michael Zichert

April 4, 2025

CFP: Rethinking Human-Centeredness: Bridging Environmental and AI Ethical Discourses

Journal: Topoi. An International Review of Philosophy

12:00 AM - 12:00 AM EST

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Paper submissions are invited for the special issue of Topoi entitled: Rethinking Human-Centredness: Bridging Environmental and AI Ethical Discourses. In the face of pressing issues such as climate change, the loss of biodiversity, AI-driven surveillance, biases embedded in machine learning algorithms, the special issue aims to critically examine the concept of human-centeredness in the field of applied ethics and from both historical and systematic perspectives (see the details for more about issue description and topics).

Special issue article publications often bring higher citations and visibility than regular papers and attract more relevant readership due to its scope. Topoi is indexed in the Web of Science under AHCI, currently in Quartile 1 and placed in the top-10 ranked Philosophy-Category journals, with a 2023 IF of 1,3 and CiteScore of 3,1.

Guest Editors:

· *Stefania Achella, Full Professor of History of Philosophy at University of Chieti-Pescara, Email: stefania.achella@unich.it*

· *Jean-Gabriel Ganascia, University Pierre et Marie Curie of Paris, Email: Jean-Gabriel.Ganascia@lip6.fr*

April 5, 2025

- April 6, 2025

Conference - Evidence-Based Medicine Reconsidered - Univ. of Pitt.

University of Pittsburgh

10th Floor of the Cathedral of Learning

Pittsburgh, Pa 15260

08:00 AM - 05:00 PM EST

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Evidence-Based Medicine Reconsidered

April 5, 2025 @ 8:00 am - April 6, 2025 @ 5:00 pm EDT

Senior Visiting Fellow Conference by Carl Hofer

The evidence-based medicine (EBM) movement began in the 1980s, reached its peak perhaps in the 1990s, and has since then enjoyed the status of orthodoxy, despite many criticisms being raised among medical practitioners and researchers. Philosophers of medicine have frequently criticized EBM's hierarchies and rigid precepts, especially the "gold standard" status of randomized controlled trials (RCTs). A pluralistic approach to evidence in medicine has been increasingly popular in recent years, in which mechanistic evidence and reasoning, observational studies of many kinds and RCTs are assessed for value on a case-by-case basis. But does this trend away from the EBM hierarchy go too far and risk the reintroduction of the same biased, motivated evidence-gathering practices that originally motivated the EBM movement? What light can recent experiences in medicine and public health (e.g., during the covid-19 pandemic) shed on these issues?

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- April 26, 2025

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July 7, 2025
- July 11, 2025

Summer School in Vienna: The History and Epistemology of Econometrics
University of Vienna
09:00 AM - 05:00 PM CET
Zarah Weiss, +43-1-4277-46532
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THE HISTORY AND EPISTEMOLOGY OF ECONOMETRICS

Vienna, July 7-11, 2025

Applications due Feb. 15, 2025

For further information, visit: <https://summerschool-ivc.univie.ac.at>

July 20, 2025
- July 25, 2025

Biennial Meeting of the International Society for the History, Philosophy and Social Studies of Biology
University of Porto
09:00 AM - 07:00 PM EST
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The biennial meetings of ISHPSSB (International Society for the History, Philosophy and Social Studies of Biology) are known for innovative, transdisciplinary sessions, and for fostering informal, co-operative exchanges and on-going collaborations. The next biennial meeting will be held from July 20 to 25, 2025, in Porto, Portugal.

September 17, 2025
- September 19, 2025

CFA: International Network for Economic Method Conference
University of Bayreuth
08:00 AM - 08:00 PM CET
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Call for Abstracts: INEM conference in Bayreuth, Germany, taking place from September 17–19, 2025.

Coming Soon

New Open Access Journal: Philosophy of Medicine