Summer Institute in American Philosophy
July 11-16 (Mon-Sat), 2016
University of Oregon
in Eugene, Oregon in the beautiful Willamette Valley

Keynote Speaker Patricia Hill Collins

The Summer Institute in American Philosophy is designed for faculty members, postdoctoral researchers, and graduate students in philosophy and other disciplines interested in Pragmatist and American philosophy. Our keynote speaker will be Patricia Hill Collins (author of Black Feminist Thought, Black Sexual Politics, On Intellectual Activism and more, and a past President of the American Sociological Association). These keynote presentations will interrogate possibilities for social theory, critical race theory, and feminist thought between philosophy and sociology. The program also features a series of thematic plenary panels concerning central problems, figures, and issues in the traditions. There will also be a broad number of traditional conference-style sessions which will include paper presentations and works-in-progress meetings (see the reverse side for info on our call for proposals).

This year’s plenary panel themes (see reverse for additional details):

- **Rereading Richard Rorty** (featuring an international group of presenters)
- **Black Feminist Philosophies** (exploring Collins’ landmark Black Feminist Thought today)
- **Intellectual Activism** (with a focus on cross-disciplinary engagements beyond the academia)
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Plenary Panels

Panel 1: Rereading Richard Rorty. This international panel will feature Christopher Voparil (of Union Institute and University, co-editor with Richard Bernstein of The Rorty Reader and author of Richard Rorty: Politics and Vision), Marianne Janack (of Hamilton College, editor of Feminist Interpretations of Richard Rorty and author of What We Mean By Experience), Michael Bacon (of Royal Holloway University in the UK, author of Richard Rorty: Pragmatism and Political Liberalism and Pragmatism: An Introduction), and Neil Gascoigne (of Royal Holloway University in the UK, author of Richard Rorty: Liberalism, Irony, and the Ends of Philosophy). Note: for more info about Rorty-related events leading up to SIAP please visit the Richard Rorty Society at richardrortysociety.org.

Panel 2: Black Feminist Philosophies. The focus of this panel will be explorations of the implications of black feminism (including Patricia Hill Collins' important Black Feminist Thought) for philosophy, both as a motion of thought and as an academic discipline embedded in contemporary social realities. Panelists will explore black feminism from epistemological, metaphysical, political, and ethical angles. This panel will feature presentations by Denise James (University of Dayton), Brad Stone (Loyola Marymount University), and Camisha Russell (Colorado College).

Panel 3: Crossing Disciplines through Public Scholarship. This panel, another in our ongoing series of 'Crossing Disciplines' inquiries, explores how boundaries of discipline, genre, and social location are transformed by the work of public scholarship across disciplines. Presenters will include Jerry Rosiek (UO College of Education), author of Resegregation as Curriculum, and others.

Call for Proposals

A call for proposal abstracts for our regular conference-style sessions has been posted online with a deadline of Friday March 18, 2016. For complete details on submissions see the website below. Please email Colin Koopman (at koopman@uoregon.edu) with any questions.

Graduate Student Funding

We have a limited number of travel grants available to graduate students to attend. Priority will be given to graduates who are presenting their work for the first time at an SIAP event, although all attendees who request funding assistance will be considered. These grants cover the full cost of housing and registration. See the CFP for details. The graduate grant application deadline is March 18, 2016. These grants are funded by the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy.

Additional Information

For more information visit http://pages.uoregon.edu/koopman/siap/siap_2016.html