

the intellect and its philosophical limits



Organized by Gurpreet Rattan (University of Toronto, SFU)

Friday, April 7th

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... () Charting the Landscape of Reason	Comments: Owen Ware (SFU) Chair/Discussant: Haley Brennan (SFU)
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B... () the Cost of Clarity	Comments: Endre Begby (SFU) Chair/Discussant: Anthony Nguyen (SFU)
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... (I...) Are There Limits on Intersubjective Understanding?	Comments: Lisa Doerksen (Toronto) Chair/Discussant: Matt Maxwell (SFU)
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H... C... () Conceptual Fixed Points: the Limits of Conceptual Revision?	Comments: Phil Hanson (SFU) Chair/Discussant: Christopher Mole (UBC)
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What is the intellect?

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Saturday, April 8th

9:30-10:00

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Gregor Gansel (C, D)

On the Role of the Intellect in Knowledge

Comments: Rosemary Twomey (SFU)
Chair/Discussant: Aaron Richardson and Karl Steinmeier (SFU)

10:00-12:30

Dominic Dwyer (C, D)

Meaning, Type-Distinctions, and Predication

Comments: Nicolas Fillion (SFU)
Chair/Discussant: Mahan Esmailzadeh (SFU)

12:30-2:00

2:00-3:40

Brian Skerker (C, D)

Imaginability and Intelligibility

Comments: Jonathan Jenkins Ichikawa (UBC)
Chair/Discussant: Arianna Falbo (SFU)

3:00-3:30

Henry Jones (C)

Idealism and the Harmony of Ought and Reality

Comments: Manish Oza (Toronto)
Chair/Discussant: Bahar Raiszadeh (SFU)

3:30-4:00

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