Colorado Summer Seminar in Philosophy 2019
Topic: Freedom

All classes meet in Hellems 269
All extracurricular talks take place in Hellems 269 except for the IAPT Conference talks
Unless otherwise noted, classes meet from 9:00 – 12:00

June 9: Orientation Activities
9:30: optional morning hike
3:00: mandatory orientation meeting in Hellems 269

WEEK ONE

June 10: Aristotle and Boethius on Freedom (Robert Pasnau)
Aristotle, De interpretatione ch. 9
Boethius, The Consolation of Philosophy, selections

June 11: Aquinas and Scotus on Freedom (Robert Pasnau)
Thomas Aquinas, Summa theologiae I.82-83 and Questions on Evil q. 6
John Duns Scotus, Questions on the Metaphysics IX.15 and Reportatio 1A 39-40

[Heather Demarest talk, “Women and Philosophy,” 3:00]

June 12: Kant on Freedom (Garrett Bredeson)
Kant, Critique of Pure Reason (selections)
Kant, Critique of Practical Reason (selections)

June 13: Hegel and Marx on Freedom (Garrett Bredeson)
Hegel, Elements of the Philosophy of Right (introduction)
Marx, Capital (selections)

[Robert Pasnau, “Workshop on Applying to Graduate School in Philosophy,” 3:00]

June 14: Mill on Freedom (Alastair Norcross)
Mill, On Liberty (Chapters 2 and 4, final section of Chapter 5)
Mill, On Liberty (the rest of the book is recommended but optional)

WEEK TWO

June 17: Freedom and Belief (Matthias Steup)
Matthias Steup, “Belief Control and Intentionality”
Matthias Steup, “Believing Intentionally”
William P. Alston, “The Deontological Conception of Epistemic Justification”
Kevin Timpe, “Free Will” (optional background reading)
Anandita Mukherji talk, “Capabilities and Self-Determination,” 3:00]

June 18: Freedom and Personal Identity (Heather Demarest)

June 19: Freedom and Moral Responsibility (Caleb Perl)
Peter Strawson, “Freedom and Resentment”
Pamela Hieronymi, Freedom, Resentment, and the Metaphysics of Morals, Chapter 4 (optional)

[Mark Boespflug talk, “Locke on When Belief is Free,” 3:00]

June 20: Freedom and Determinism (Iskra Fileva)
Stephen Morse, “Brain Overclaim Syndrome and Criminal Responsibility”
Joshua Greene/Jonathan Cohen, “For the Law, Neuroscience Changes Nothing and Everything”

[Cheryl Abbate talk, “Valuing Animals as They Are,” 3:00]

June 21: Freedom and Divine Foreknowledge (Chris Heathwood) (1:00 – 4:00)
Jonathan Edwards, selection from “Freedom of the Will”
Alvin Plantinga, “On Ockham’s Way Out”

WEEK THREE (class meets 1:00 – 4:00 on Monday – Thursday)

June 24: Meghan Sullivan IAPT Conference keynote talk, 9:00 – 10:30

Plato on Freedom (Mitzi Lee) (1:00 – 4:00)
Selections posted on dropbox

June 25: Valia Allori IAPT Conference keynote talk, 9:00 – 10:30

Freedom and Addiction (Iskra Fileva) (1:00 – 4:00)
Hanna Pickard, “The Purpose in Chronic Addiction”
Ezio di Nucci, “Addiction, Compulsion, and Agency”

June 26: Morning talks at IAPT Conference, 9:30 – 11:30

Freedom and Political Authority (Michael Huemer) (1:00 – 4:00)
Michael Huemer, “The State”
Michael Huemer, The Problem of Political Authority, ch. 7 (7.6 required, rest optional)

June 27: [morning open]
Freedom and Self-Defense (Michael Huemer) (1:00 – 4:00)
Michael Huemer, “Is There a Right to Own a Gun?”

June 28: Freedom and Coercion (David Boonin) (9:00 – 12:00)
Stephen Mallary, et. al., “Family Coercion and Valid Consent”

[seminar ends at noon]