

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)

Marya Schechtman, *The Constitution of Selves*, (1996), pp. 73-78, 94-99.

Hilde Lindemann, *Damaged Identities, Narrative Repair* (2001), pp. 72-88.

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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”

Robert Nozick, “Newcomb’s Problem and Two Principles of Choice,” pp. 114-17 (optional)

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”
Joseph Millum, “Consent Under Pressure: The Puzzle of Third Party Coercion”

[seminar ends at noon]