

Du Châtelet's Theoretical Philosophy in Context

21 – 22 March 2025

University College Dublin
School of Philosophy
Newman Building
5th Floor, Room D520

Programme

21 March 2025

09.15h – Welcome: Coffee and Tea
09.30h

09.30h – Pedro Prikladnitzky (Paderborn)
10.15h *Metaphysical Foundations of Physics:
Analyzing Substance and Essence
in Du Châtelet's Institutions*

10.30h – Christian Henkel (UCD)
11.15h *Top-down and bottom-up?
Du Châtelet's Account of Laws of Nature*

11.30h – Jeff Mc Donough (Harvard)
12.30h *Time for Du Châtelet*

Lunch Break

14.00h – Michael Veldman (Duke)
14.45h *The 'Two Keys of Physics'.
Calculation and Experiment
in Du Châtelet's Conception of Hypotheses*

15.00h – Areins Pelayo (Grand Valley)
15.45h *Du Châtelet on Newton's Method.
The Cases of Universal Gravity and Geodesy*

16.00h – François Duchesneau (Montréal)
17.00h *Du Châtelet's Concept of Vis Viva*

Drinks and Conference Dinner



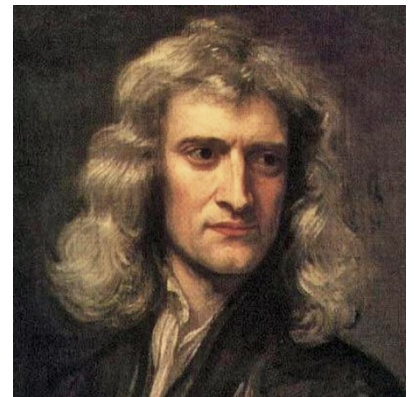
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22 March 2025

10.15h – Coffees and Tea
10.30h

10.30h – Aurora Yu (Chapel Hill/Princeton)
11.15h *The Hybrid Objectivist–Subjectivist View
of Du Châtelet's Principle of Sufficient Reason*

11.30h – Justin Steinberg (Cornell)
12.15h *Disambiguating the Principle of Sufficient Reason
in Émilie Du Châtelet's Foundations of Physics*

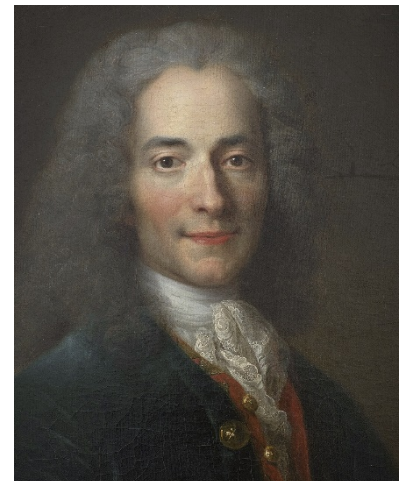


Lunch Break

13.45h – Jan Forsman (Tampere/Iowa City)
14.30h *Metaphysics Under a Watchful Eye
Émilie Du Châtelet's "On Freedom"
and Voltaire's Traité de Métaphysique*

14.45h – Karen Detlefsen (UPenn)
15.45h *Emilie Du Châtelet on Human Nature,
Virtue, and Vice*

16.00h – *Discussion/Round Table*
16.45h



Drinks and Dinner

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