



NYC Workshop in Early Modern Philosophy

Fordham University, Lincoln Center: May 30 - 31, 2026

Saturday, May 30 – Lowenstein, 12th Floor Lounge

9:45: Welcome Note

10:00 – 11:30 Chair: Galen Barry (Iona)

Christopher Kluz (Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shenzhen), “*Are All Ideas Affects for Spinoza? A Puzzle Concerning Desire and Belief*”

Jen Nguyen (Bucknell), “*Modernizing Descartes's Algebra: Leibniz's Calculus of Situations Revisited*”

11:45 – 12:45 Chair: Ohad Nachtomy (Technion)

Jeffrey K. McDonough (Harvard), “*Leibniz as Atomist*”

12:45 – 2:30: Lunch

2:30 – 4:00 Chair: Bligh Somma (Fordham)

Dávid Bartha (University of Milan), “*Animals in Heaven? Divine Justice, Immortality, and Animal Ethics in 18th-Century British Thought*”

Margaret Matthews (Assumption), “*Gabrielle Suchon on Curiosity*”

4:15 – 5:15 Chair: Andrew Chignell (Princeton)

Samuel Newlands (Notre Dame), “*Spinoza as Idealist, Acosmist, Pantheist*”

Sunday, May 31 – Lowenstein, 12th Floor Lounge

10:00 – 11:00 Chair: Haley Brennan (NYU)

Kathryn Tabb (Bard), “*Does Locke Have Any Good Ideas?*”

11:15 – 12:45 Chair: Don Garrett (NYU)

Charles Goldhaber (University of Florida), “*Mechanisms for Hume's Skepticism*”

Nir Ben-Moshe (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign), “*Did Smith Commit the Moralistic Fallacy?*”

12:45 – 2:15: Lunch

2:15 – 3:45 Chair: Anja Jauernig (NYU)

Noam Hoffer (Bar-Ilan), “*Richard Price's Modal Proof for the Existence of God*”

Davide Dalla Rosa (Trier University) and **Lewis Wang** (Boston University), “*Kant's Theory of Meaning*”

4:00 – 4:45 Desmond Hogan (Princeton)

Marius Stan (Boston College), “*Kant's Account of Mathematizing Nature*”



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