

The Johns Hopkins University Philosophy Graduate Conference on:

THE SELF

To be held: October 13-14th Keynote Speaker: **Dorit Bar-On** (University of Connecticut)

Each of us, we think, is a "self" of some sort that is distinguished from other selves that we encounter in our social environments. The self is plausibly the locus of our experiences and deliberations, and of such great philosophical importance that one of the most vital tasks in life is held to be that of coming to "know oneself." We welcome high-quality work in philosophy which addresses these sets of questions (and others): What does it take to be a self? What are the identity conditions of selfhood? Does the self remain constant throughout changes, or do certain experiences transform selves? Can evidence provided by psychology and other sciences encourage us to adopt a specific position regarding selfhood? Can non-human animals count as selves? Is the philosophical notion of selfhood implicitly or explicitly racialized or gendered? Do non-Western traditions think of selfhood differently? We welcome papers in the core areas of philosophy, as well as philosophy of religion, philosophy of race and gender, feminist philosophy, philosophy of non-human animals, political philosophy, etc., with special consideration for papers in the Analytic tradition.

Abstracts of up to 700 words for a 25 minute presentation should be submitted for blind review to <u>JHU2017GradCon@gmail.com</u>.

Submitted abstracts must be received as .doc, .docx, or .pdf files, by <u>July 1st, 2017</u>. Please include your affiliation, contact information, and paper title in the body of the email.

Accepted papers will be announced by August 2017. For more information, please contact <u>JHU2017GradCon@gmail.com</u>

