

The Third Immanuel Kant International Summer School “Kant on Science and Rationality”

Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University
Academia Kantiana

Target audience: advanced bachelor students, master students, PhD students, recent postdocs (with PhD received not before 2017).

Dates: 22 – 28 July 2019

Call for applications:

The *Academia Kantiana* of the Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University invites applications for participation in the Second Immanuel Kant International Summer School.

Kant’s transcendental philosophy has often been described as a philosophy of science, or at least as a philosophy which is most closely related to the sciences of his times – and one in which his concept of reason plays a central role. The 2019 summer school is devoted on Kant’s views on the meanings and roles of reason for the sciences as well as its historical impact. Three aspects will take center stage: (1) the role of “constitutive” a priori knowledge for the sciences; (2) the role of “regulative” ideas of pure reason for the sciences; (3) the definition of the different sciences, and their classification by an “architectonics of reason”.

The summer school will focus on the analysis of central passages from Kant’s works, including publications on the natural and the human sciences as well as texts from his critical works. Furthermore, the school will also address the long-term historical impact of his philosophical thinking about the sciences.

Scientific Supervisor – Prof. Dr. Thomas Sturm, ICREA research professor at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

Scientific Assistants – Dr. habil. Vadim A. Chaly and Dr. Rudolf Meer, Senior Researchers at the *Academia Kantiana*, Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University, Kaliningrad.

The summer school consists of lectures, seminars, and readings. Within the framework of the summer school there will also be a scientific conference, in which participants will give their own presentations on a research topic related to Kant’s philosophy, and discuss it with colleagues from different universities of Russia and the world.

At the end of the summer school the participants will be given a certificate of their participation.

Working languages: English, Russian.

Preliminary Program of the School

Program includes:

- lectures, seminars, readings;
- the conference of the participants of the school with the discussion.

Lectures and seminars – in English

Readings – in English and Russian.

Thematic program of lectures and seminars:

Lecture 1: Beginnings in cosmology: *The General Natural History and Theory of the Heavens* (1755)

Seminar 1: Cosmology and scientific hypotheses

Lecture 2: Philosophy’s lessons from science: Reason in logic, mathematics, and natural science

Seminar 2: Apriori presuppositions of science

Lecture 3: Philosophy’s framing of science: A priori knowledge, metaphysics and natural science

Seminar 3: Ideas of reason in the sciences

Lecture 4: Reason in history and anthropology

Seminar 4: “Architectonics”, or the “art of systems” of the sciences

This School is the part of the International Summer School “Rationality in Philosophy and Right”, supported by the Forum “Petersburger Dialog” and the Russian Academic Excellence Project.

HOW TO APPLY

School participants are selected on a *competitive basis*, no more than 15 people. Participation in the summer school is free of charge.

ATTENTION: By the application strictly **until 05 April 2019** (*early bird application*), and successful evaluation of the application, travel to the venue of the school, accommodation in Svetlogorsk, and daily meal will be paid by our sponsor.

By the later application and availability of free places, the travel costs, accommodation, and meal are paid individually by the participants. In this case, the organizers kindly ask all students and young scholars interested in the costs reimbursement to apply for travel-grants at their home universities.

Deadline for submission: 05 April, 2019 (early bird application)

05 May, 2019 (regular, if free places available)

Results of acceptance: 10 April, 2019 (early bird application)

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Requirements for applications:

English, at least upper intermediate;

Questionnaire (see attachment);

Motivation Letter (in English, 350-400 words)

Abstract on the topic of your presentation related to Kant's philosophy (in English, 1200-1400 words of main text, plus references).

Location: Svetlogorsk, Kaliningrad region, Baltic sea.

E-mail: academia@kantiana.ru (Thread: **Kant Summer School 2019**)

Contact person: Prof. Dr. Nina A. Dmitrieva

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Application Form
for Participation at the III International Kant Summer School
“Kant on Science and Rationality”

Academia Kantiana, IKBFU

22 — 28.07.2019

Svetlogorsk, Kaliningrad region, Russia

Surname, given name, year of birth	
University / affiliation (confirmation document strictly required)	
Education degree (bachelor / M.A. / PhD student, specialisation and year of degree)	
Doctoral degree (if graduated), promotion date	
Field and topic of research	
Scientific Advisor	
English language skills certificate (if available) (please, indicate a type of certificate and attach it to application)	
Contact information (phone, email, postal address)	
Destination and preferable time of your flights to Kaliningrad (for example, New York, 7:00 pm - Kaliningrad - New York, 10:00 am)	