



CALL FOR PAPERS

Calvin University and Grand Valley State University present The 8th Joint Undergraduate Philosophy Conference

April 3rd and 4th, 2020 at GVSU's Pew Campus, Grand Rapids, Michigan (details TBA)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: FRIDAY, February 7th, 2020

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. Cristina Lafont, Northwestern University

This year, we are honored to welcome Dr. Cristina Lafont, Harold H. and Virginia Anderson Professor of Philosophy at Northwestern University, as our Keynote Speaker. She works in critical theory and hermeneutics, but her current research is mainly in political philosophy, particularly on questions of democracy. At our conference, she will deliver a talk entitled:

"Democracy without Shortcuts: The Democratic Ideal of Self-Government and the Problem of Blind Deference"



ABOUT: Calvin and Grand Valley's philosophy conference is a two-day event held each year to promote excellence in philosophy. In addition to keynote lectures from leading contemporary philosophers, the conference provides students an opportunity to present and receive rigorous feedback on their own work in the form of formal comments from a peer, as well as a Q&A.

INFORMATION: The conference is free of charge and open to the public. We accept papers on all topics of philosophy. For further questions about the conference, contact Zach Tenney at: **tenneyz@mail.gvsu.edu**.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES: Only papers written by undergraduate students will be accepted. All papers are subject to blind review. Please include a SEPARATE title page AS A SEPARATE FILE with name, title, and institution. The SEPARATE paper FILE itself should include the paper title and a short abstract, but no name or name of institution. Submit COVER PAGES AND PAPERS as SEPARATE attachments in PDF/Word format to Professor Andrew Spear at: <u>speara@gvsu.edu</u>. Papers should be prepared to be read within 30-40 minutes. Each paper will be assigned a student commentator.