

Sunday-Thursday, September 7-11, 2008

A Summer Course on

THE HISTORY OF CONCEPTS



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2008

10:00 – 10:30

Opening Remarks

Prof. Gabriel Motzkin, Director, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

Prof. Jan Ifversen, University of Aarhus, Denmark

Sinai Rusinek, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

10:30 – 12:30

Prof. Jan Ifversen, University of Aarhus, Denmark, **Introduction to Conceptual History I**

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:30

Prof. Jan Ifversen, University of Aarhus, Denmark, **Introduction to Conceptual History II**

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00

Prof. Martin Burke, City University of New York (CUNY)

Intellectual History and Conceptual History

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2008

10:00 – 12:30

Prof. Martin Burke, CUNY, **The Cambridge School**

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:30

Prof. Joao Feres Jr., Instituto Universitario de Pesquisas do Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ)

Conceptual History and Political Theory

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00

Prof. Jan Ifversen, University of Aarhus, Denmark, **Conceptual History and Discourse Analysis**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

10:00 – 12:30

Prof. Joao Feres Jr., IUPERJ, **Conceptual Transfers and Translations**

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:30

Prof. Martin Burke, CUNY, **The Sources of Conceptual History**

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00

Prof. Jan Ifversen, **Prof. Martin Burke**, **Prof. Joao Feres**: **Civilisation: A Case Study**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2008

10:00 – 12:30

Work in Progress Papers - Parallel Sessions

(I) Conference Hall (Second Floor):

Yehuda Halper, Ph.D. Cand., Bar Ilan University

Averroes on Metaphysical Terminology: The Long Commentary on Aristotle's Metaphysics Δ

Commentator: Joao Feres Jr.

Avital Davidovich-Eshed, Ph.D. Cand., Tel Aviv University

The Concept of Virginité and Representations of Virgins in

Medieval Jewish Culture in Christendom

Commentator: Willibald Steinmetz

Rhona Seidelman-Pincu, Ph.D. Cand., Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Dwelling Apart: Shaar Haaliya and the Concept of Quarantine

Commentator: Willibald Steinmetz

(II) Seminar Room 323 (Second Floor):

Ruth Lifshitz-Oron, Ph.D. Cand., Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

"Technology Transfer" in the Israeli Academic Field:

A "Transfer"-mation of the Scientific Practice?

Commentator: Martin Burke

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Dr. Piki Ish-Shalom, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **Theory as a Hermeneutical Mechanism: The Democratic-Peace Thesis and the Politics of Democratization**

Commentator: Jan Ifversen

Itay Snir, Ph.D. Cand., Tel-Aviv University, **Sensus Communis: Sense, Knowledge, and Politics**

Commentator: To be announced

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch Break

13:30 – 15:30

(I) Conference Hall (Second Floor):

Hagay Bar, Ph.D. Cand., Bar Ilan University

Ideology as a Project: Nurturing Civil Society Organizations, the Case of 'Shatil'

Commentator: Willibald Steinmetz

Benny Furst, Ph.D. Cand., The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

The Growth of a Green Culture: Political Cultures in Environmental Organizations in Israel

Commentator: Jan Ifversen

(II) Seminar Room 323 (Second Floor):

Dotan Leshem, Ph.D. Cand., Bar Ilan University, **Economy between Household and Ecclesia**

Commentator: Martin Burke

Elinor Meir, M.A. Cand., Tel Aviv University, **The "Concepts" of Poverty**

Commentator: Joao Feres Jr.

15:30 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00

(I) Conference Hall (Second Floor):

Dr. Dafnah Strauss, Tel Aviv University, **On Being Independent: Political and Professional Discourse in Late 19th Century American Newspapers**

Commentator: Martin Burke

Dr. Claudia Zbenovich, Hadassah College, Jerusalem, **Witness to Change: The Language and Style of the Post-Soviet Political Interview (1991-1999)**

(II) Seminar Room 323 (Second Floor):

Arie Dubnov, Ph.D. Cand., The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **Ancient or Modern, Positive or Negative? Tracing the Conceptual Dichotomy in the Idea of Freedom**

Commentator: To be announced

Dr. Efraim Podoksik, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, **One Concept of Liberty: Towards Writing the History of a Political Concept**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2008

Introducing the History of Concepts

One day conference (open to the public)

10:00 – 13:00

Opening Remarks: Prof. Gabriel Motzkin, Director, The Van Leer Jerusalem Institute

Prof. Gabriel Motzkin, **The Cultural Context of Begriffsgeschichte**

Prof. Gadi Algazi, **Begriffsgeschichte: Some Critiques and Alternatives**

Prof. Willibald Steinmetz, **Theoretical and Practical Problems of Historical Semantics**

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch Break

14:00 – 16:00

Dr. Alexandre Escudier, **The Modern Concept of 'History': One or Many?**

Dr. Yochi Fischer, **A Comparison of Jewish and Christian Conceptualization: The Case of "Secularism"**

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee Break

16:30 – 18:00

Closing Discussion: The Future of the History of Concepts in Israel (for invitees only)

Gadi Algazi, Martin Burke, Jan Ifversen, Joao Feres, Gabriel Motzkin, Willibald Steinmetz; Participants of the Summer Course

Chair: Sinai Rusinek