

# CPNSS Fixtures List

## ALL-LONDON HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE MEETINGS

### Lent Term 2010

#### ***The Choice Group Seminars***

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<http://www2.lse.ac.uk/CPNSS/projects/CoreResearchProjects/ChoiceGroup/Home.aspx>]

#### ***PhD Student Seminar\****

[Contact: Seamus Bradley email , [S.C.Bradley@lse.ac.uk](mailto:S.C.Bradley@lse.ac.uk)]

#### ***The Popper Seminars***

[Contact: Luc Bovens, email [R.Matthams@lse.ac.uk](mailto:R.Matthams@lse.ac.uk) ]

#### ***Research Methods in Philosophy\****

[Contact: John Worrall, email [J.Worrall@lse.ac.uk](mailto:J.Worrall@lse.ac.uk) ]

#### ***Research Seminar in the Philosophy of Natural Science\****

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#### ***Sigma Club***

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<http://www2.lse.ac.uk/CPNSS/events/SigmaClub/Home.aspx>]

Unless otherwise noted, all seminars and events are held in T206 and are open to the public. For updated information online [www.lse.ac.uk/cpnss](http://www.lse.ac.uk/cpnss)

\* These are either research or taught seminars but they might also be open to interested people; please contact the seminar leader. Those attending are expected to read the relevant material.

**Wednesday, 13 January 10:00-12:00 am**  
**PH500 RESEARCH METHODS IN PHILOSOPHY**

**John Worrall**

LSE

*Reason in "Revolution": A Study in Theory Change*

**Wednesday, 13 January 2:00-4:00 pm**  
**PH555 RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF ECONOMICS AND  
SOCIAL SCIENCE**

TBA

**Wednesday, 13 January 5:30-7:00 pm**  
**CHOICE GROUP**

**Jan Sprenger and Remco Heesen**

Tilburg and LSE

*The Bounded Strength of Weak Expectations*

**Wednesday, 20 January 5:30-7:00 pm**  
**CHOICE GROUP**

**Nick Chater**

UCL

*Is the Brain a Bayesian*

**Thursday, 21 January 6:00-7:30 pm**  
**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Monday, 25 January 5:15-7:00 pm**  
**SIGMA CLUB**

**Sorin Bangu**

University of Cambridge

*Best Friends or Worst Enemies? Bridge Laws in Inter-theoretic Relations*

**Tuesday, 26 January 2:00-4:00 pm**  
**POPPER SEMINAR**

**Alex Voorhoeve**

LSE

*Why Death Is Not Bad When You're Supremely Self-Satisfied*

**Wednesday, 27 January 10:00-12:00 am**  
**PH500 RESEARCH METHODS IN PHILOSOPHY**

**John Worrall**

LSE

*Reason in "Revolution": A Study in Theory Change*

**Wednesday, 27 January 2:00-4:00 pm**  
**PH555 RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF ECONOMICS AND  
SOCIAL SCIENCE**

TBA

**Wednesday, 27 January 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

**Guy Mayraz**

Oxford

*Priors and Desires - A Model of Payoff-Dependent Beliefs*

**Thursday, 28 January 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Thursday, 28 January 6:30-8:00 pm (Venue: Sheikh Zayed Theatre, NAB)**

**VPP VOTING POWER IN PRACTICE LECTURES**

Speaker: **Vincent Cable MP**

Chair: **Rudolf Fara**

CPNSS, LSE

*Electoral Reform in the Wake of the Economic Crisis*

For more information, email [events@lse.ac.uk](mailto:events@lse.ac.uk).

Website: <http://www2.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2010/20100128t1830vSZT.aspx>

**Monday, 1 February 5:15-7:00 pm**

**BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**

**Juha Saatsi**

Leeds

*Scientific Realism and Partial Truth*

**Wednesday, 3 February 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

**Lenny Smith, Roman Frigg, Seamus Bradley**

LSE

*Decisions and Climate Science*

**Thursday, 4 February 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Wednesday, 10 February 10:00-12:00 am**

**PH500 RESEARCH METHODS IN PHILOSOPHY**

**John Worrall**

LSE

*Reason in "Revolution": A Study in Theory Change*

**Wednesday, 10 February 2:00-4:00 pm**

**PH555 RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE**

TBA

**Wednesday, 10 February 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

**Bahador Bahrami**

UCL

*Title TBA*

**Thursday, 11 February 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Saturday, 12 February**

**RERUM CAUSAE JOURNAL STUDENT CONFERENCE**

TBA

**Monday, 15 February 5:15-7:00 pm**

**SIGMA CLUB**

**Eleanor Knox**

School of Advanced Study, University of London

*Geometry and Inertia: Constraints on spacetime theories*

**Tuesday, 16 February 2:00-4:00 pm**

**POPPER SEMINAR**

**Fiona Leigh**

UCL

*Title TBA*

**Thursday, 18 February 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Friday, 19 February and Saturday, 20 February**

**CHOICE GROUP**

*Organisers: Alex Voorhoeve and Wulf Gaertner*

Mini-PhD conference on rational choice, social choice, ethics and political philosophy

*Further details TBA*

**Wednesday, 24 February 10:00-12:00 am**

**PH500 RESEARCH METHODS IN PHILOSOPHY**

**John Worrall**

LSE

*Reason in "Revolution": A Study in Theory Change*

**Wednesday, 24 February 2:00-4:00 pm**

**PH555 RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE**

TBA

**Wednesday, 24 February 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

*Double session*

**James Wong**

LSE

*The Concept of 'Demos' in Environmental Democracy  
and*

**Ittay Nissan**

LSE

*Can an irrational agent reason himself to rationality? A triviality result*

**Thursday, 25 February 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Monday, 1 March 5:15-7:00 pm**

**BRITISH SOCIETY FOR THE PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE**

**Hasok Chang**

UCL

*A Case for Scientific Pluralism*

**Wednesday, 3 March 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

**Irini Moustaki**

LSE

*Title TBA*

**Thursday, 4 March 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Tuesday, 9 March 2:00-3.30 pm**

**POPPER SEMINAR (COMTE MEMORIAL)**

**Allen Buchanan**

Duke

*Title TBA*

**Tuesday, 9 March 6:30-8.00 pm (Venue: Hong Kong Theatre, Clement House)**

**COMTE MEMORIAL LECTURES**

**Allen Buchanan**

Duke

*Biomedical Enhancement and the Ethics*

Chair: Alex Voorhoeve, LSE

Website: <http://www2.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2010/20100309t1830vHKT.aspx>

**Wednesday, 10 March 6:30-8.00 pm (Venue: Hong Kong Theatre, Clement House)**

**COMTE MEMORIAL LECTURES**

**Allen Buchanan**

Duke

**The Risks of Genetically Modifying Human Embryos or Gametes**

Chair: Alex Voorhoeve, LSE

Website: <http://www2.lse.ac.uk/publicEvents/events/2010/20100310t1830vHKT.aspx>

**Wednesday, 10 March 10:00-12:00 am**

**PH500 RESEARCH METHODS IN PHILOSOPHY**

**John Worrall**

LSE

*Reason in "Revolution": A Study in Theory Change*

**Wednesday, 10 March 2:00-4:00 pm**

**PH555 RESEARCH SEMINAR IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF ECONOMICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE**

TBA

**Thursday, 11 March 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

TBA

**Friday, 12 March 2:00-5:30pm**

**CPNSS 20<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SHOWCASE SEMINAR SERIES**

*Further details TBA*

**Monday, 15 March 5:15-7:00 pm**

**SIGMA CLUB**

**Paul Busch**

University of York

*Unsharp Quantum Reality*

**Wednesday, 17 March 5:30-7:00 pm**

**CHOICE GROUP**

*Double session*

**Esha Senchaudhuri**

LSE

*Title TBA*

And

**Chris Thompson**

LSE

*The upper limit of group epistemic performance*

**Thursday, 18 March 6:00-7:30 pm**

**PHD STUDENT SEMINAR**

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