

Post-Graduate Taught Seminar in Modern Theology

Dr Michael Oliver (convenor)

Monday, 2.00-3.30 pm, Gibson Seminar Room 1

This is the core seminar in Michaelmas and Hilary Terms for all students taking the MSt or MPhil in Modern Theology. Each week, all participants will be expected to read the text(s) carefully (including supplementary reading) and contribute verbally in a seminar-style discussion. In Michaelmas term, the text/figure will be introduced by a member of the faculty and will then be open to discussion by the group. In Hilary term, each student will choose a week to begin the seminar with a brief presentation, which will be followed by a facilitated discussion by a member of the faculty. The texts for the seminar are listed below; lists of (optional) secondary reading will be distributed a week in advance of each session.

Michaelmas (Faculty Presenters)

Week 1, October 8

Methods and Styles in Modern Philosophy and Theology

Dr Michael Oliver

Week 2, October 15

Immanuel Kant, *Religion within the Boundaries of Mere Reason*

Dr Darren Sarisky

Week 3, October 22

G. W. F. Hegel, 'Preface' and 'Introduction' to *The Phenomenology of Spirit* **and** Part I of *The Philosophy of Religion* (Lectures of 1827)

Professor Joel Rasmussen

Week 4, October 29

Søren Kierkegaard, *Philosophical Fragments*

Dr Matthew Kirkpatrick

Week 5, November 5

Friedrich Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morality*

Professor Joel Rasmussen

Week 6, November 12

Martin Heidegger, *Being and Time*, 'Introduction' (§1-8) **and** 'The Onto-theological Constitution of Metaphysics' (in idem., *Identity and Difference*, tr. J. Stambaugh)

Dr Michael Oliver

Week 7, November 22 (NOTE: MEETING ON THURSDAY)

Paul Ricoeur: 'The Hermeneutics of Revelation' and 'The Hermeneutics of Testimony' in *Oneself as Another*

Dr Darren Sarisky

Week 8, November 26

Jacques Derrida, "How to Avoid Speaking: Denials" (in *Derrida and Negative Theology*, ed. Coward and Foshay) and "Sauf le nom" (in *On the Name*, trans. Wood et al.)

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