



DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
CENTRE FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

3RD INTERNATIONAL
SUMMER SCHOOL IN
**ANCIENT
GREEK
PHILOSOPHY**

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

6 - 9 JUNE 2017

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY IN RUŽOMBEROK,
SLOVAKIA

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Course description and objectives - The third year of the Summer School in Ružomberok is devoted to Aristotle's philosophy. The Summer School offers an overview of different approaches to Aristotle's thinking. Participants are encouraged to reflect upon their own practices of interpretation, and develop a corresponding method to approach philosophical texts. During the morning sessions, there are lectures delivered by renowned scholars working in different areas of Aristotelian studies. In the afternoons, there are short roundtable discussions on selected texts led by keynote speakers. The Summer School aims to create an inspiring space for those who work in various fields of ancient Greek philosophy, history, and culture. All texts and discussions are in English. The knowledge of ancient Greek is welcome but not presupposed.

TARGET GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS

MA students, PhD students and postdocs in philosophy, religious studies and/or classical philology. The course is open to a maximum of 15 participants.

APPLICATIONS

The application procedure starts at the end of February.

Please send the following by 30 April 2017 to: martin.nosal@ku.sk

1. motivation letter of no more than 2 pages
2. CV

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

There is no participation fee for the Summer School. Organizers fully cover accommodation and meals in the nearby hotel and restaurants. All usual services (coffee, snacks, internet and library access, etc.) is provided by the organizers as well. More information regarding housing and venue will be sent upon acceptance of participant's application. Unfortunately, no travel grants are offered. For further information, please, contact us at: martin.nosal@ku.sk

AN OUTLINE OF THE LECTURES AND SEMINARS

Prof. George Karamanolis, Ph.D.:

1. Stages of ethical development and kinds of ethical training in Aristotle.
2. The question of substance in Aristotle's *Metaphysics*, and the reading seminar - parts of Aristotle's *Metaphysics Zeta* and *Eta*.

Prof. István Bodnár, Ph.D.:

1. Teleology in Aristotle's philosophy of nature.
2. Explanatory patterns in Aristotle's celestial theory, and the reading seminar: passages from the *Physics* and the *De caelo*.

Matyáš Havrda, Ph.D.:

1. Aristotle's instructions on the method of scientific inquiry.
2. Alexander of Aphrodisias on the substance of the soul, and the reading seminar - parts of Alexander's *De anima*.

Prof. Ladislav Kvasz, Ph.D.:

The birth of geometry as a deductive science in ancient Greece

1. The tradition of ancient mathematics from Thales till Euclid.
2. Aristotle's ideal of a deductive science and its relation to Euclid's *Elements*

ORGANIZERS

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