

Call for Papers: UTCP Graduate Conference 2012

Practicing Japanese Philosophy: Mind and Activity

February 18-19, 2012

The University of Tokyo (Komaba Campus), Tokyo, Japan

Organized by the University of Tokyo Center for Philosophy (UTCP)

Keynote Speaker: Graham Parkes (University College Cork)

This conference will explore the experiential possibility of thinking in Japanese philosophy and other related disciplines. Writing, speaking, singing, meditating and even walking, nourish and enhance our ways of feeling and thinking. Human thinking, however pure and abstract, does not occur without the aid of sensuous activity. Even the dry and prudent analysis of historical text requires the sharp adjustment of perception. The aim of this conference is to find ways to connect theory with practice that opens to skillful, expedite, philosophical activity. If we become aware of such reciprocity of mind and activity, the work of philosophy creates an ongoing changes of perspective consisting of different things and their relations. The UTCP is pleased to invite graduate students and postgraduates to submit papers for their two-day conference at the University of Tokyo (Komaba Campus) on February 18-19, 2012.

Papers that address the following or related themes are welcome:

Practical and Material Aspect of Japanese Philosophy

Japanese Aesthetics and Arts

Reconsidering the Kyoto School

Connection between Eastern and Western Philosophy

Philosophy of Landscape and Garden

Japanese Philosophy and Politics

Philosophy of Body in the Eastern Tradition

Philosophy of Nonhumanity

***Papers will be 20 minutes long.**

***The language of the conference is English.**

***If the number of applicants exceeds the capacity, a selection will be made.**

***We are planning to offer travel grants for students traveling from a distant place (12,500 yen per night, in an amount not to exceed total amount of 37,500 yen). Travel grant recipients are prohibited from receiving payments from other organizations. Applicants requesting travel grants must include a brief statement of need when submitting the abstract.**

***We will publish the proceedings of this conference.**

Deadline:

Title and Abstract Submission (up to 150 words, E-mail: [mindandactivity \[at\] gmail.com](mailto:mindandactivity@gmail.com)): Nov. 30

Final Paper Submission for Proceedings: Feb. 3

UTCP Graduate Student Conference Committee 2012

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