

2nd, revised call for papers: Philosophy of Medicine Meets Social Epistemology

June 7 & 8, 2018

Location: Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany. The location is barrier-free.

Keynote speakers: Havi Carel (University of Bristol), Rebecca Kukla (Georgetown University), Miriam Solomon (Temple University), Sean Valles (Michigan State University).

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Topic

The two-day workshop aims at building bridges between philosophy of medicine and social epistemology. There is a significant overlap in the questions discussed in these fields, especially the interest in medical research in its wider social and cultural context. The workshop aims to provide an opportunity to explore such issues, which are not only of interest to academic philosophy, but have wide-ranging implications for society. How does the institutional context of medical research influence its trustworthiness? Which research areas and questions are under-funded or even completely ignored? How do issues of testimonial justice affect therapeutic relationships? What is the role of patient and other interest groups in producing medical knowledge?

Possible topics include, but are by no means limited to: the formation and usage of certain concepts and classifications of race or gender in medical research as well as their societal impacts; the conceptualization of health, illness, and disability; possibilities to deal with the commercialization of research and resulting bias; the nature of objectivity in medicine and psychiatry; issues of trust in medical practice, potential epistemic injustices in patient-doctor relations, and their role in diagnostic and therapeutic processes.

Submissions

We invite submissions for 25 minutes talks (plus 20 minutes discussion). Please submit an abstract with no more than 750 words. Abstracts need to be submitted in an anonymized document (PDF or DOC) together with the title of the talk. Please send the document, attached to an email that states your name, affiliation and position as well as the title of the talk, to admissions@philos.uni-hannover.de. The deadline is March 12, 2018. Notice of acceptance will be sent out two weeks later. Participants who do not give a talk are also welcome and are asked to register in advance. There is no registration fee.