

# Kanthropology: Kant's *Anthropology* and its Legacy

Centre for Research in Modern European Philosophy (CRMEP) 2016 Graduate Conference, Kingston University London.

Kingston University, Penrhyn Road Campus, 19-20th May 2016.

## Keynote Speakers:

[Stella Sandford](#)

Professor Of Modern European Philosophy, CRMEP, Kingston University.

[Lewis Gordon](#)

Professor of Philosophy and Africana Studies, University of Connecticut.

The 2016 CRMEP Graduate Student Conference will focus on Kant's anthropological works and their legacy. The mainstream marginalization of Kant's anthropological writings, in part due to their racist content, arguably makes philosophy ill-equipped to think some of today's most pressing concerns, notably with regard to ableism, racism, classism and sexism in philosophical discourse. As Robert Bernasconi has observed, ignoring the Kant of the *Anthropology* is 'to diminish philosophy as an activity more generally.' In his use of *Anthropology From a Pragmatic point of View* as a starting point for his foundational work *The Order of Things*, Foucault demonstrates how Kant's anthropological works have a central role in the history of knowledge production and 'truth discourse.' While it is clear how Kant's canonical works in philosophy inform his anthropological work, it is not clear how his anthropology informs his philosophy and to what extent his anthropology is integral to the rest of his thought. The 2016 CRMEP Graduate Conference aims at reconsidering these questions and opening a critical discussion on the anthropological legacy of Kant in contemporary thought.

## Practical Information:

**Venue:** PRJG0002, John Galsworthy building, Penrhyn Road Campus.

**Price:** £5.00 - Lunch, coffee and refreshments will be provided on both days.

**To attend:** Please register [here](#)

**Further Information:** [www.kanthropology.com](http://www.kanthropology.com)

*Please get in touch if you are unable to afford the fee but would like to attend*

**Programme**  
**19th May**  
Room PRJG0002

9:30-10:00    **Registration**

10:00 - 10:20   **Welcome and Introduction**

10:20 - 11:40   ***Incidental categories? Race, Gender and Human Being.***

Alva Gotby, "Rational Being: Philosophy's Master Subject"

William Reckner, "Kant's Negative Equality"

Luis García, "Anthropology and Critique – when the I is an Other"

11:40 - 12:00   Coffee Break

12:00 - 13:20   ***Enlightenment and the limits of liberalism.***

Koshka Duff, "Locke's Tyrannipocrisy Discovered"

Jaakko Karhunen, "Félix Guattari's Aesthetic Anthropology of 'Primitive Society'"

Tihana Pupovac, "Equality and (anti)Humanism: Kant with Rousseau"

13:20 - 14:30   Lunch

14:30 - 15:50   ***Subjects, Science and Social Ontology***

Till Hahn, "The Social *a priori* - Kant with Durkheim"

Rob Brooks, "The Sublime Science: the Place of Pragmatic Rule in Foucault's Reading of Kant"

Jens de Vleminck, "Kant's Anthropology, a *Fremdkörper*? On Foucault's 'Kanthropologisation'"

15:50 - 16:00   Coffee Break

16:00 - 17:30   ***'Reception is Everything: Kant, Race and Disciplinary Bad Faith',***  
**Keynote Lecture by [Stella Sandford](#)**

Professor Of Modern European Philosophy, CRMEP, Kingston University.

17:30            **Reception**

## Programme

**20th May**  
Room PRJG0002

10:00 - 11:20 ***Autonomy and Philosophical Anthropology***

Tijana Okic "Kant against Kant: Anthropology versus Autonomy"

Sebastian Kock, "Kant's Anthropology as Negative Anthropology: Perspectives & Genealogies"

Jeremy Hovda, "Kantian Self-Perfection from a Moral and an Anthropological Point of View"

11:20 - 11:40 Coffee Break

11:40 - 13:30 **Workshop *Critical Theory of Race*** - Rooms PRJG1005 and PRJG1007

Readings and further information regarding this workshop will be available soon on [www.kanthropology.com](http://www.kanthropology.com)

13:30 - 14:40 Lunch

14:40 - 16:00 ***Kant's Dispositions reconsidered: Imagining, Feeling and Perceiving***

Anna Enström, "Beyond the Parallelism between the Transcendental and the Empirical Subject: Kant's Concept of *Gemüt* and the Aesthetic Judgement of Jokes"

Amanda Holmes, "Eavesdropping on Oneself: Imagination, Identity, and the Problem of Reflection"

Oisín Keohane "Kant on Babel: The Spirit of the French language and the German Language"

16:00 - 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 - 17:45 **Keynote Lecture by [Lewis Gordon](#)**, Professor of Philosophy and Africana Studies, University of Connecticut.