

Fifth Annual Philosophy Graduate Student Conference  
**The Sacred and the Secular:**  
*Philosophy and Religion in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

**Friday, February 20th: 4:30-6:30 pm**

The University of Memphis  
Pan-Hellenic Building, Ballroom

**“A Theology of Flesh: Possibilities for a Postmodern Religion”**

**Keynote Speaker: John Caputo**  
Syracuse University, Departments of Religion and Philosophy

*Reception to follow at: 3532 Cowden Avenue  
Memphis, TN 38111*

**2-3pm: Session IV**

**“On the Secular Sacred”**

**Speaker: Todd Kesselman**  
The New School for Social Research,  
Department of Philosophy

**Commentator: John Dodds**

**Moderator: Cigdem Yazici**

**3:10-4:10pm: Session V**

**“On the Use of Genealogy in Charles Taylor's *A Secular Age*”**

**Speaker: Peter Woodford**  
Stanford University, Religious Studies

**Commentator: Clifton Granby**

**Moderator: William Allen**

**Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>: 8:30am-6:30pm**

University of Memphis  
Pan-Hellenic Bldg. Rm. 101

**8:30-9am: Continental Breakfast**

**9-10am: Session I**

**“Mapping Post-secular Religion: Graham Ward and Jacques Derrida”**

**Speaker: Dan Miller**  
Syracuse University, Department of Religion

**Commentator: Arsalon Memon**

**Moderator: Amy Livingston**

**4:20-5:20pm: Session VI**

**“The Tension between Reason and Revelation: Attempting to Understand Leo Strauss's Critique of Heidegger”**

**Speaker: David Tkach**  
University of Ottawa, Dept. of Philosophy

**Commentator: Nicolas Garrera**

**Moderator: Heidi Samuelson**

**10:10-11:10am: Session II**

**“The (Proper) Domain of Religious Beliefs: A Kantian Suggestion”**

**Speaker: Greg Stoutenburg**  
Boston University, Department of Philosophy

**Commentator: Tim Golden**

**Moderator: Matt Bower**

**5:30-6:30pm: Session VII**

**An (An-)Ethics of Ignorance: Anselm, Simone Weil, and the Neighbor”**

**Speaker: James Aycock**  
Emory University, Philosophy Alumnus

**Commentator: Jacob Neal**

**Moderator: Matt Lexow**

**11:20am-12:20pm: Session III**

**“Orpheus in the Cave: A Reading of the *Republic* and the *Phaedo*”**

**Speaker: Elizabeth Suergiu**  
Boston College, Department of Philosophy

**Commentator: Heidi Samuelson**

**Moderator: Avril Fuller-Abiodun**

*Dinner immediately following: Location TBA*

All commentators and moderators are graduate students of the Philosophy Department, University of Memphis

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**12:20pm-2pm: Lunch**

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