

## CRITICAL THEORY WORKSHOP ATELIER DE THÉORIE CRITIQUE Sorbonne / Paris, France

Villanova Philosophy Department Summer Program Director: Gabriel Rockhill

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Location: Sorbonne, 1 rue Victor Cousin, Paris, France

Dates: July 4-22, 2016

Contact: Director, Gabriel Rockhill < gabriel.rockhill@villanova.edu> Languages: English and French (with summary English translations)

Eligibility: Open to anyone with the requisite background, including advanced

undergraduates, graduate students, autodidacts and faculty

Program Fee: \$475 (tenure-track or tenured faculty) / \$300 (all others)

## **OVERVIEW**

The Critical Theory Workshop / Atelier de Théorie Critique is an intensive research program whose primary objective is to provide an international forum for interdisciplinary and comparative work in critical theory, in the broadest sense of the term. Participants are exposed to the work of contemporary thinkers and engage with current debates in the Francophone world.

The Workshop, which takes place at the Sorbonne in central Paris, does not follow the traditional structure of a course or a conference. Instead, it functions as a collaborative platform for the sharing and perfecting of autonomous research projects. It is comprised of three components:

- *Débats*: invited speakers debate with the director on a common theme or question related to their research.
- *Rencontres*: intellectuals are invited to participate in public interviews regarding their work to date and their current projects.
- *Groupes de travail*: the participants workshop their own research projects in consultation with other participants and in preparation for a final conference.

The overall objective is to bring together a diverse panoply of thinkers from different horizons in order to cultivate productive debates around specific themes and issues. Invited guests for 2016 include Amy Allen, Pierre-Antoine Chardel, Jean-Pierre Cometti, Philippe Corcuff, Souleymane Bachir Diagne, Vidya Kumar, Mary Beth Mader, Catherine Malabou, Thomas Pikkety, Jean-Michel Rabaté and Julian Sempill.

## APPLICATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Application due February 15, 2016: http://criticaltheoryworkshop.com/apply/

Website: http://criticaltheoryworkshop.com

FB page: https://www.facebook.com/criticaltheoryworkshop