

## Center for Comparative Philosophy



San Jose State University

2010 Term

SJSU Center for Comparative Philosophy  
Workshop/Conference Series

### Symposium

#### *Constructive Engagement of Analytic and Continental Approaches in Philosophy*

Co-Sponsor:  
Philosophy Department, SJSU

Time: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2010, Saturday, 09:00-18:30

Place: Conference Room 285, Engineering Building, SJSU, San Jose, California

The Center for Comparative Philosophy (CCP) at San Jose State University, California, USA, has established its Workshop/Conference Series since 2009 to promote and enhance the research and scholarship of comparative philosophy understood in a philosophically interesting way. The Series emphasizes critical discussion and exploration of how distinct approaches from different philosophical traditions and/or from different styles/orientations of doing philosophy can constructively engage each other to jointly contribute to the common philosophical enterprise.

The theme of the 2010 Term of the CCP's Workshop/Conference Series is the constructive engagement of analytic and Continental approaches in philosophy in the setting of comparative philosophy understood in a broad, philosophically interesting way. This symposium is to provide a forum for critical-discussion for the purpose of *the constructive engagement of analytic and Continental approaches in philosophy*, which can be channeled by the general strategic "constructive-engagement" goal of comparative philosophy as follows:

*To explore how, via reflective criticism (including self-criticism) and argumentation, distinct modes of thinking, methodological approaches, visions, substantial points of view, or conceptual and explanatory resources from different philosophical traditions and/or from different styles/orientations of doing philosophy, can learn from each other and jointly contribute to the common philosophical enterprise and a series of issues and topics of philosophical significance, which can be jointly concerned through appropriate philosophical interpretation and/or from a broader philosophical vantage point.*

# Program\*

## April 10, Saturday Morning

### Opening Session: **From the Vantage Point of Comparative Philosophy**

9:00-9:30 **Rita Manning** (Chair, Philosophy Department, SJSU): Opening Remarks

**Bo Mou** (CCP Director, SJSU): "Symposium Theme Introduction: When Quine/Lewis, Heidegger, and Lao Zi Have a Get-together on Being...."

### Session I: **Joint Concerns of Analytic and Continental Approaches**

9:30-10:20 Chair: **Karin Brown** (San Jose State University)

Speaker: **Paul Livingston** (University of New Mexico)  
"The Origin of Language and the Aporia of Sense: Quine and Heidegger"

Break 10:20-10:30

### Session II: **Feature Talk**

10:30-11:40 Chair: **Purushottama Bilimoria** (Deakin/Melbourne University and UC-Berkeley)

Speaker: **Richard Tieszen** (San Jose State University)  
"The Place of Science in Continental and Analytic Philosophy"

Break 11:40-11:50

### Session III: **Feature Talk**

11:50-13:00 Chair: **Mohammad Azadpur** (San Francisco State University):

Speaker: **Dagfinn Føllesdal** (Stanford University)  
"Quine and Husserl"

13:00-13:50 **Lunch**

## April 10, Saturday Afternoon

### Session IV: **Feature Talk**

13:50-15:00 Chair: **Tom Leddy** (San Jose State University)

Speaker: **John Searle** (University of California at Berkeley)  
"The Background"

Break 15:00-15:10

**Session V: Feature Talk**

15:10-16:20 Chair: **Anand Vaidya** (San Jose State University)

Speaker: **Hubert Dreyfus** (University of California at Berkeley)  
“McDowell vs Merleau-Ponty: The Pseudo-Problem of Relating Mind and World”

Break 16:20-16:30

**Session VI: Phenomenology, Cognitive Science and Mathematics**

Chair: **Carlos Sanchez** (San Jose State University)

16:30-17:20 Speaker: **Peter Hadreas** (San Jose State University)  
“A Constructive Engagement between Phenomenology and Cognitive Science”

17:20-18:10 Speaker: **Chad Kidd** (University of California at Irvine)  
“Mathematizing Phenomenology: Ontological and Methodological Mathe-  
matization”

18:10-18:20 **Richard Tieszen**: Closing Remarks

[\* The above program, as given on 24th March 2010, may be further updated.]

- *All are welcome to attend the conference*
- *Coffee/refreshments and lunch will be served*
  - *Registration fee: \$15*  
*(no registration fee for SJSU faculty and students)*

**CCP website: <http://www.sjsu.edu/centercomphil>**

Information about this symposium and its related workshop “*Constructive Engagement of Analytic and Continental Approaches in Philosophy: From the Point of View of Chinese Philosophy*” (2010 Term-ISCWP’s “Beijing Roundtable on Contemporary Philosophy”, 6th August, Beijing, China) available at the website of the open-access international journal *Comparative Philosophy* (<http://www.comparativephilosophy.org>)

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