

# GRADFACTs

October 2011

**THE NEW SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH**

<b>Mon 6</b> Philosophy Thursday Night Workshop: Carla Bagnoli	<b>Tues 4</b> Janey Program Poetry Reading: Latin-American Voices in NYC	<b>Wed 5</b> New Green City (Union Square)	<b>Thurs 6</b> Philosophy Thursday Night Workshop: Carla Bagnoli	<b>Fri 7</b> <b>Yom Kipur</b> <b>No Classes after 4 pm</b>
<b>13</b> Philosophy Thursday Night Workshop: Karin de Boer	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Philosophy Thursday Night Workshop: Karin de Boer	<b>14</b> Petition to Graduate before 10/15 to avoid fee
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## NEWS AND EVENTS

### Student News

**Philosophy Student, Maxwell Tremblay,  
publishes *White Riot: Punk Rock and the  
Politics of Race***

PhD Student Maxwell Tremblay, along with Stephen Duncombe, have edited a book for Verso that was released last month. "*White Riot* is the definitive study of the subject, collecting first-person writing, lyrics, letters to zines, and analyses of punk history from across the globe...." Read more at the [Verso website](#).

### Faculty News

**Nancy Fraser Helps Brazil Make the Case for  
Marriage Equality**

The New School's thought leaders are playing an influential role in the global discussion on Marriage Equality.

On May 5th the Brazilian Supreme Court ruled that the government must grant civil unions to same-sex couples, making Brazil the world's most-populous nation to do so. In the finding, the court cited the work of **Nancy Fraser**, Henry A. & Louise Loeb

Professor of Philosophy and Politics at The New School for Social Research. Quoting Fraser's 2000 article "Redistribution, Recognition, and Participation: Toward an Integrated Conception of Justice," in which Fraser writes of "the politics of recognition [whose] goal, in its most plausible form, is a difference-friendly world, where assimilation to majority or dominant cultural norms is no longer the price of equal respect."

Reflecting on her role in Brazil's step towards marriage equality, Fraser says, "I am as proud of this as of anything I've ever done. It helps assuage my chronic doubts about doing philosophy while the world burns. Maybe what I do is not so useless, after all."

## **Issues in Higher Ed**

### **Graduate Enrollment Declines in Part Because of Caution About the Economy**

"Caution on the part of graduate-admissions counselors and potential students has been a key factor driving a nationwide dip in first-time graduate-student enrollment, the first such drop in seven years, says a report released in September...." Read the full story at the [Chronicle of Higher Education](#)

### **Academic Publishing and Zombies**

Kathleen Fitzpatrick, author of *Planned Obsolescence: Publishing, Technology, and the Future of the Academy* (NYU Press) writes about the academic publishing industry: "The scholarly press book, she writes, "is no longer a viable mode of communication ... [yet] it is, in many fields, still required in order to get tenure. If anything, the scholarly monograph isn't dead; it is undead." Read more at [Inside Higher Ed](#).

## **NSSR Events**

### **Philosophy Thursday Night Workshops**

Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

October 6<sup>th</sup>: Carla Bagnoli "Self-deception as Alienation"

October 13<sup>th</sup>: Karin de Boer, "Hegel's Critique of the Liberal Conception of Freedom in the Philosophy of Right"

October 20<sup>th</sup>: Ramon del Castillo, "Wittgenstein and his Relation to the Jokes"

October 27<sup>th</sup>: Eyjolfur Emilsson, "Plotinus and Plato on Soul and Action"

Admission: Free; no tickets or reservations required

Location: 6 E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 1103

**Janey Program Poetry Reading: Latin-  
American Voices in New York City**

Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

A Poetry Reading in Celebration of the VII Festival of New Poetry “Poetas En Nueva York,” a night of poetry and creativity with various poets from El Salvador, Venezuela, Colombia, Mexico and Nicaragua. Readings will be in spanish and english.

Admission: Free; no tickets or reservations required; seating is first-come first-served

Location: 80 Fifth Avenue, room 529

**Social Research Conferences at the New  
School, Presented by  
The Center for Public Scholarship**

**Human Rights and the Global Economy**

Wednesday and Thursday, November 9-10, 2011

Join us as experts and scholars discuss human rights as a mediating language for discussions about social justice and the global economy. What are the human rights responsibilities and obligations of wealthy nations, international financial institutions, and corporations to alleviate global poverty? Where are the opportunities in economic policies and institutions to strengthen human rights policies around the world and improve social justice? **Olivier De Schutter** will deliver the keynote address.

Organized in collaboration with the International Affairs Program, Social Research: An International Quarterly, the Center for Public Scholarship, and faculty: Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Miriam Ticktin, Nehal Bhuta, and Arien Mack. Made possible by generous support from “Climate Change Narratives, Rights and the Poor” project at the Chr. Michelsen Institute [CMI].

Location: Tishman Auditorium, 66 West 12<sup>th</sup> St  
Admission: Free for New School students, faculty, staff, and alumni  
Preregister:  
<http://www.newschool.edu/cps/human-rights-global-economy>

### **The Future of Higher Education**

Thursday and Friday, December 8-9, 2011

This conference outlines the ways in which university leadership can work to ensure that universities in the United States continue to adapt and thrive as they enter into global partnerships and the U.S. university model is exported abroad. The keynote panel will include current and former university presidents.

Made possible by generous support from the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Ford Foundation.

Location: Tishman Auditorium, 66 West 12<sup>th</sup> St  
Admission: Free for New School students, faculty,  
staff, and alumni  
Preregister:  
<http://www.newschool.edu/cps/future-higher-ed>



## **Announcements**

### **NSSR Student Conference Fund Guidelines: September 2011**

NSSR students have a long history of organizing intellectually exciting and significant academic conferences. In order to support these endeavors, the New School for Social Research provides up to \$3,000 each year to fund student-designed conferences. Depending on the number and quality of applications, the Dean's office expects to divide the total funds among three or four conferences per year. Students are encouraged to secure additional funds

from other sources, including their home department.

Conference proposals are currently being solicited. Proposals, which must be no more than two pages in length plus brief letter of endorsement, must address the following:

- Title of conference
- Tentative date(s)
- Organizing committee members - please identify one contact person
- Topic to be addressed - intellectual substance, timeliness, etc.
- Format - including potential speakers and invited participants
- Budget

Proposals must also include a brief letter of endorsement from a faculty member who has been consulted about the conference.

Deadline for submission of proposals is **November 1, 2011**. The selection committee will consist of faculty members and will be chaired by Associate Dean Kostrzewa.

Results of the selection process will be announced by approximately November 12. Conference organizers receiving support will be required to meet with Tsuya Yee, NSSR Director of Student Support, for a briefing on procedures for use of funds. We recommend that printing (posters, etc.) are

coordinated through University Communications (contact Robert DiNardi). In any event, you must start planning early for publicity, particularly printing (good publicity requires lots of advance notice).

Conference funds must be expended and all appropriate documentation, including requests for reimbursement, must be submitted no later than June 1, 2012. Unexpended funds cannot be carried forward after this date.

Applications should be titled "NSSR Student Conference Fund Proposal" and submitted via e-mail to [KostrzeR@newschool.edu](mailto:KostrzeR@newschool.edu)

Questions regarding the fund and faculty letters of endorsement should be sent via email to: [Robert Kostrzewa](mailto:Robert.Kostrzewa@newschool.edu), Associate Dean,

### **NSSR Student Research and Conference Travel Fund**

The New School for Social Research will provide limited support for eligible student research and conference travel. Students may compete for these funds by submitting a proposal.

Research and conference travel proposals, which should be no more than two pages in length, must address the following:

- Title of research project or conference
- Tentative dates
- For research projects, brief description of the study and explanation of the travel component; preference will be given to Ph.D. students, for their pre-dissertation research projects
- For conference travel-student's role in the conference; title and abstract of paper to be presented; preference will be given to students presenting papers
- Total itemized budget

Proposals may also include a brief letter/email of endorsement from a faculty member who is the academic advisor for the research project, or who has been consulted about the conference. This endorsement is not required.

Travel grants will not be made from this Fund to participants of the Wroclaw and Cape Town Democracy and Diversity seminars.

Deadline for submission of proposals is November 1, 2011, for travel between December 15, 2011 and June 15, 2012, and April 1, 2012, for travel between June 15, 2012 and December 15, 2012. Your department faculty will review applications. Applicants will be notified by December 1, 2011, for winter and spring awards, and May 1, 2012 for summer and fall awards. Grants will not be awarded for travel that took place in fall or summer 2011.

Students receiving support will be required to submit a one-page narrative report upon their return. Travel funds must be expended in the travel period specified above. Unexpended funds cannot be carried forward to the next period. Awards may be subject to taxation.

Applications should be titled "YOUR NAME, NSSR student Research and Conference Travel Fund Proposal" and submitted via e-mail to [NSSRAcademicAffairs@newschool.edu](mailto:NSSRAcademicAffairs@newschool.edu).

### **Reminder for Students Completing Study this Semester**

Students expecting to complete their studies in December 2011 must file a graduation petition University Registrar's Office. The university cannot confer degrees or certificates for students who have not filed a petition. Filing should be done as soon as possible; no fee will be charged to students who file by October 15<sup>th</sup> (note the deadline has been extended). To submit a petition online login to [my.newschool.edu](http://my.newschool.edu). Within the Graduation box, click on "Fall 2011 Graduation Petitioners" and follow the instructions provided. **The online petition is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Avoid the late fee and petition by October 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## **Get Academic Planning and Scholarship Information and Key Student Resources Online**

NSSR students can find lots of useful resources on the [Current Students link](#) on the New School website. This page compiles some commonly requested documents and information, including resources for

- Consortium Classes
- Internal and External Funding Opportunities
- PhD Guidelines
- Grades and Transcripts
- The Academic Calendar
- Student Reading Group Information

And many, many more. Just go to [my.newschool.edu](http://my.newschool.edu) and click on the link to The New School for Social Research and you will see 'Current Students' at the bottom left of the page.



## **EXTERNAL FUNDING AND CAREER SERVICES**

The Office of Academic Affairs provides external funding and scholarships information and career guidance to New School for Social Research students. Services include: (1) providing students with scholarships and funding information; (2) assisting NSSR students with CV, cover letter and resume writing, interviewing skills, and job search strategies; (3) workshops and information sessions on various topics including: CV workshops (every month), SPIN database tutorial (twice a semester), Grant Writing workshop, Fulbright workshop, and information sessions on Academic and Non-Academic Careers in Social Sciences.

### **Career Services Office Hours**

Individual appointments can be made Monday through Friday by appointment.

Send an email to [kraemerb@newschool.edu](mailto:kraemerb@newschool.edu), or call 212.229.3790.

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## **Chronicle of Higher Education**

The Chronicle of Higher Education, a great source of news, information, and job postings for college and university faculty members and administrators, is available for review and reading in the Office of Academic Affairs.

## **Funding Opportunities**

### **Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation: Charlotte W. Newcombe Dissertation Fellowships**

Due: November 15<sup>th</sup>

[http://www.woodrow.org/higher-education-fellowships/religion\\_ethics/index.php](http://www.woodrow.org/higher-education-fellowships/religion_ethics/index.php)

E-mail: [billmaier@woodrow.org](mailto:billmaier@woodrow.org)

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The Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships are designed to encourage original and significant study of ethical or religious values in all fields of the humanities and social sciences, and particularly to help Ph.D. candidates in these fields complete their dissertation work in a timely manner. In addition to topics in religious studies or in ethics (philosophical or religious), dissertations appropriate to the Newcombe Fellowship competition might explore the ethical implications of

foreign policy, the values influencing political decisions, the moral codes of other cultures, and religious or ethical issues reflected in history or literature. ELIGIBILITY: The Newcombe Fellowships are provided to Ph.D. candidates at American institutions located in the United States who will complete their dissertations during the fellowship year.

Funding: In the 2012 Newcombe competition, at least 21 non-renewable Fellowships of \$25,000 will be awarded for 12 months of full-time dissertation writing; in addition, Fellows' graduate schools will be asked to waive tuition and/or remit some portion of their fees.

## **Career Hub**

Last month the NSSR Office of Career Services launched the **new career blog**. You can find it on the New School website [here](#).

This resource contains up-to-the-minute information on fellowships, internships, and job opportunities from all over the world. Be sure to factor the new Career Hub into your search for jobs and funding and maximize your possibilities.

## **Economics Job Databases**

The Office of Career Services oversees two online databases for students of economics seeking job or internship opportunities. These are found online at <http://www.newschool.edu/nssr/subpage.aspx?id=61564>.

Each file offers a range of opportunities to students in the field of economics. The Financial Firms database provides a compilation of investment banks, consulting firms, and other financial institutions that hire economists, as well as a list of headhunters who recruit and staff services specifically for financial firms. The Economic Internship Directory lists organizations that offer internship positions to students in the economics or related fields.

## **Workshops**

### **Grant Proposal Writing**

Monday, October 17 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: 6 East 16th Street, 10th Floor, Room 1005

### **Preparing a Conference Abstract**

Monday, October 24 from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: 6 East 16th Street, 10th Floor, Room 1005

### **Resume Writing for Non-Academic Jobs**

Monday, October 31, from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: 6 East 16th Street, 10th Floor, Room 1005



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