



# EXTENDING NEW NARRATIVES

IN THE HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY

## OPENING DISCUSSIONS

*This online event is currently being planned to consist of a maximum of 8 live sessions held in different time zones over two Friday-Saturday periods in March. Sessions will be recorded so that those unable to attend will be able to access discussions.*

Our intellectual past is full of people whose philosophical thought has been discounted through prejudice and condescension in their own times or by the tellers of the history of philosophy. This Extending New Narratives/ Pour de nouveaux récits en histoire de la philosophie (ENN) Partnership's international online conference aims to open discussions exploring the philosophies of some of these historically neglected figures and jumpstart efforts to retell the history of philosophy.

**We invite official ENN collaborators as well as other scholars from around the world to submit proposals for sessions. We are particularly interested in drawing connections across historical periods along the themes of *epistemic authority, moral dignity, equality, and nature*. Deadline for receipt of proposals: January 3, 2021.**

Each session should focus on the thought of one or two marginalized philosophers with innovative philosophical ideas. We welcome proposals focused on figures in different philosophical traditions and in different time periods (up to 1940). We do not hold presuppositions about philosophical genres. Sessions should aim both to share expertise on understudied philosophers and to stimulate a discussion that includes those who are new to the texts. Sessions can take a variety of formats; we suggest the following:

Each session should include a short (pre-circulated) presentation/paper (maximum 30 minutes), two discussants (maximum 15 minutes each), and an open discussion among attendees. We invite all session participants to share ideas about methodological concerns and about how to incorporate these neglected figures and texts into existing curriculum. We expect each session to last no longer than 2.5 hours, and to have at least half the session be an open discussion.

We encourage the involvement of early career researchers in the proposed sessions (please note any ECR in the proposal). Sessions can be conducted in English or French, or be bilingual.

Proposals for sessions should be maximum one-page with the following information:

- (a) Name(s) and affiliations of organizers
- (b) Main presenter's name and affiliation
- (c) Discussants' names and affiliation.
- (d) A summary of the main questions and goals of the presentation/paper
- (e) A summary of the main goals of the discussants' contribution (i.e., critiquing or supplementing the paper's discussion, connecting the central figure(s) to those in the same or different historical periods, raising a methodological challenge, suggesting curricular strategies; etc)

Please also indicate the local time zone(s) of those directly involved in the session and language(s) of the proposed session.

Please email your one-page proposal to [new\\_narratives@sfu.ca](mailto:new_narratives@sfu.ca)

Presenters and discussants need not be currently officially affiliated with the Extended New Narratives project.

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