

PROGRAM OF THE THIRTEENTH BIENNIAL MEETING OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF HUMAN IDEAS ON
ULTIMATE REALITY AND MEANING, AUGUST 3RD-6TH, 2005

Regis College, University of Toronto, 15 St. Mary Street, Toronto, Canada M4Y 2R5
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Wednesday, August 3rd, 2005

Registration, Regis College

4.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Opening and Keynote Address Elliott MacGuigan Hall

7.30 pm – 9 pm

Welcome, JOHN PERRY, Editor of Ultimate Reality and Meaning, St. Paul's College,
University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and JOSEPH SCHNER, President,
Regis College, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Presidential Address: STEPHEN MODELL, Department of Health Management and
Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan: The Healthy Imagination:
Ultimate Reality and Meaning Through the Lens of Medical Literature

Reception and Social
Elliott MacGuigan Hall

RESEARCH SESSIONS

Thursday, Aug. 4th, 2005

8.45 am – 9.55 am

On Spinoza's Concept of Substance and Ultimate Reality. ZE'EV LEVI, Kibbutz Hama
'apil, Doar Na Hefer, Israel

Presiding: GEORGE S. OSICKI, Winnipeg, MB Canada

Referees: NOEL BOULTING, Upchurch, Kent, United Kingdom and PROF. FRED
WILSON, University College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada Room A

Evolutionary Epistemology and the Quest for Truth. ANTHONY MATTEO,
Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA, USA

Presiding: ALLEN R. UTKE, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh WI, USA

Referees: RICHARD W. KROPF, Johannesburg, MI, USA and TOM JEANNOT,
Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, USA Room B

Simulation Argument and the Ultimate Reality. ALEXANDER BEREZIN, McMaster
University, Hamilton, ON, Canada

Presiding: GEORGE B. RICHTER, St. Paul, MN, USA
Referees: RONALD GLASBERG, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada and
KEVIN SHARPE, Oxford University, Oxford, United Kingdom Room C

The Ultimate Reality and Meaning of Bob Dylan. LISA O'NEILL, Saint Peter's College,
Jersey City, NJ

Presiding: SHIV D. TALWAR, Spiritual Heritage Education Network, Waterloo, ON,
Canada

Referees: DR. JOYCE J. PANDELIS, Shaw University, Raleigh, NC, USA and
ROBERT SMITH, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Room D

10.05 am – 11.15 am

I. Ellacuria's conception of Ultimate Reality and Meaning. TOM JEANNOT, Gonzaga
University, Spokane, WA USA

Presiding: FR. PETER LEONARD, OSFS, DeSales University, Center Valley, PA, USA

Referees: PETER BISSON, SJ, Campion College, University of Regina, Regina SK,
Canada and MARK DE STEPHANO, SJ, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ, USA
Room A

When \emptyset e Kenzaburo the Japanese Novelist Reads Yeats' Later Poem "Vacillation" -
Misreading or Assimilation? SHUNICHI TAKAYANAGI, SJ, Sophia University, Tokyo,
Japan

Presiding: DAVID M. KAPLAN, University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, USA

Referees: DANIEL S. LENOSKI, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg,
Canada and DR. ANNA MAKOLKIN, Centre for Russian and East European Studies,
University of Toronto, Toronto, ON Canada Room B

Finger Flutings in Rouffignac and Gargas Caves, France. KEVIN SHARPE, Oxford
University, Oxford, United Kingdom

Presiding: DR. FIORE MESTER, Toronto, ON, Canada

Referees: RONALD GLASBERG, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada and
REV. JON TAYLOR, University of Great Falls, Great Falls, MT, USA Elliott
MacGuigan Hall

URAM of Aldous Huxley's Concept of the Divine Ground. JOHN CHENG, Fu Jen
Catholic University, Taipei, ROC

Presiding: JOHN L. MAHONEY, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, USA

Referees: ROBERT SMITH, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB,
Canada and DONNA NORELL, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg,
Canada Room C

11.25 am - 12.35 pm

Ultimate Reality in Colette's World. DONNA NORELL, St. Paul's College, University
of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Canada

Presiding: LARRY W. COOLEY, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Referees: MARK DE STEPHANO, SJ, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ and
PETER ELY, SJ, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA Room A

Ultimate Discourse with Respect to Ultimate Reality: Strategies for the facilitation of
constructive communication. RONALD GLASBERG, University of Calgary, Calgary,
AB, Canada

Presiding: ZE'EV LEVI, Kibbutz Hama 'apil, Doar Na Hefer, Israel

Referees: GORDON RIXON, SJ, Regis College, Toronto, ON, Canada and PROF. FRED
WILSON, University College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada Room C

The Oxygen Paradox and the Place of Oxygen in our Life, Aging and Death. MICHAEL
EZE, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg MB, Canada

Presiding: REV. JON TAYLOR, University of Great Falls, Great Falls, MT, USA

Referees: STEPHEN MODELL, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan and
ALLEN R. UTKE, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh WI, USA Room D

"Unorthodox Theologies" and the British Romantics. CAROLYN WEBER, Seattle
University, Seattle WA, USA

Presiding: SHOKICHI UTO, Matsudo-Shi, Chiba-Ken, Japan

Referees: DAVID J. LEIGH, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA and JOHN L.
MAHONEY, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, USA Room E

The Point of any Reality is to Express our Core, our Soul. A Concrete Exercise in
Metaphysics. GEORGE S. OSICKI, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Presiding: SHUNICHI TAKAYANAGI, SJ, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan

Referees: JOSEPH SCHNER, President, Regis College, University of Toronto, Toronto,
Ontario, Canada and DR. JOYCE J. PANDELIS, Shaw University, Raleigh, NC, USA
Elliott MacGuigan Hall

2 pm – 3.10 pm

Alternative Concept about Space (physical vacuum) Leading to a Different Vision about
the Universe. STOYAN SARG (SARGOYTCHEV), York University, Toronto, ON,
Canada

Presiding: GEORGE B. RICHTER, St. Paul, MN, USA

Referees: ALEXANDER BEREZIN, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada and
KEVIN SHARPE, Oxford University, Oxford, United Kingdom Room A

Vital Dimensions: An Inquiry into the Ultimate Foundations of Optimal Health,
STEPHEN MODELL, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA and RUEBEN
WARREN, Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, Atlanta, GA, USA

Presiding: MICHAEL EZE, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg MB, Canada

Referees: DR. RUSS SAWA, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada and
KONSTANTIN S. KHROUTSKI, MD, Novgorod Velikiy, Russia Room B

Spiritual Transcendence: A sixth factor of personality or a ninth intelligence? JOSEPH
SCHNER, President, Regis College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Presiding: PETER BISSON, SJ, Campion College, University of Regina, Regina SK, Canada

Referees: DR. FIORE MESTER, Toronto, ON Canada and RICHARD W. KROPF, Johannesburg, MI, USA Room C

Apocalyptic Pattern in African-American Writing. DAVID J. LEIGH, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA

Presiding: LISA O'NEILL, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ, USA

Referees: ANNA MAKOLKIN, Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada and JOHN L. MAHONEY, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, USA Room E

SYMPOSIUM

4pm – 6pm

Elliott MacGuigan Hall

The URAM of Medicine

Organiser: STEPHEN MODELL, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

Toward a Vernacular Bioethics. TOD CHAMBERS, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, USA

Mind-Body Questions in Bioethics. REV. THOMAS F. DAILEY, OSFS, STD AND

REV. PETER LEONARD, OSFS, DeSales University, Center Valley, PA, USA

The Urgent Needs of Medicine. DR. RUSS SAWA, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada

SYMPOSIUM

8pm – 10pm

Elliott MacGuigan Hall

URAM Based Spiritual Education

Organizer: DR. H.K. KESAVAN, Waterloo, ON, Canada

Presenters: SHIV D. TALWAR, Spiritual Heritage Education Network, Waterloo, ON, Canada and PROF. EDWARD SARATH, University of Michigan School of Music, Ann Arbor, MI, USA

Friday, August 5th, 2005

RESEARCH SESSIONS

8.45 am - 9.55 am

George Steiner on the Transcendent. JOSEPH MALIKAIL, Ottawa, ON, Canada

Presiding: SHOKICHI UTO, Matsudo-Shi, Chiba-Ken, Japan

Referees: NOEL BOULTING, Upchurch, Kent, United Kingdom and TOM JEANNOT,
Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA, USA Room B

The Socratic Way to Ultimate Meaning in the Existential Philosophy of Peter Wust.
GEORGE KOVACS, Florida International University, Miami, FL, USA
Presiding: DR. MARK PENNING, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
Referees: ALEXANDER BEREZIN, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada and
ANTHONY MATTEO, Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA, USA Room D

Juan Ruiz and the Ultimate Reality and Meaning of *Buen Amor*. MARK DE
STEPHANO, SJ, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ, USA
Presiding: DONNA NORELL, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg,
MB, Canada
Referees: FRANK MIKES, Springfield MA, USA and DR. ANNA MAKOLKIN, Centre
for Russian and East European Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada
Room E

A Gifting Reality. LESLIE van GELDER, Walden University, Minneapolis, MN USA
Presiding: ALLEN R. UTKE, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh WI, USA
Referees: DR. JOYCE J. PANDELIS, Shaw University, Raleigh, NC, USA and JANE
RUPERT, Toronto, ON, Canada Elliott MacGuigan Hall

10.05 am – 11.15 am

Chrysostom and Augustine on Original Sin: Convergence or Divergence? PETER ELY,
SJ, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA
Presiding: JOHN CHENG, Fu Jen Catholic University, Taipei, ROC
Referees: PETER BISSON, SJ, Campion College, University of Regina, Regina SK,
Canada and GEORGE KOVACS, Florida International University, Miami, FL, USA
Room A

Theology of Physics. GEORGE B. RICHTER, St. Paul, MN, USA
Presiding: GORDON RIXON, SJ, Regis College, Toronto, ON, Canada
Referees: ALEXANDER BEREZIN, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada and
STOYAN SARG (SARGOYTCHEV), York University, Toronto, ON, Canada Room B

The Catholic Carnival: The Novels of David Lodge. DANIEL S. LENOSKI, St. Paul's
College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Presiding: REV. JON TAYLOR, University of Great Falls, Great Falls, MT, USA
Referees: DAVID J. LEIGH, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA and SHUNICHI
TAKAYANAGI, SJ, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan Room C

11.25 am – 12.35 pm

Czech Bishop Felix Davidek: His Theology of Parousia as a Process toward the Ultimate
Reality. FRANK MIKES, Springfield MA, USA
Presiding: REV. THOMAS F. DAILEY, OSFS, STD, DeSales University, Center Valley,
PA, USA

Referees: PETER BISSON, SJ, Campion College, University of Regina, Regina SK
Canada and TERRY FAY, SJ, St. Augustine's Seminary, Scarborough, ON, Canada
Room A

'The Philosophy of Functioning' - Philosophy of the meaning and health of a human
being's life. DR. KONSTANTIN S. KHROUTSKI, Novgorod Velikiy, Russia
Presiding: MICHAEL EZE, University of Winnipeg, Winnipeg MB, Canada
Referees: DR. RUSS SAWA, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada and GEORGE
S. OSICKI, Winnipeg, MB, Canada Room B

God at the End of the Journey.
Presiding: DON MCLEAN, Hamilton, ON, Canada
Participants: CECIL PATEY (Roman Catholic), DR. CONNIE DEN BOK (United
Church), DR. GRAHAM SCOTT (Antiochan Orthodox), REV. JOHN TWEEDIE
(Congregational), and JOHN HOWARD Room C

Ultimate Reality and Meaning: John Henry Newman on the function of the imagination
in direct religious experience. JANE RUPERT, Toronto, ON, Canada
Presiding: SHIV. D. TALWAR, Spiritual Heritage Education Network, Waterloo, ON,
Canada
Referees: JOSEPH MALIKAIL, Ottawa, ON Canada and ANTHONY MATTEO,
Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA, USA Room E

The Way to Ultimate Meaning in the Mystical Theology of St. John of the Cross.
LARRY W. COOLEY, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Presiding: ROBERT SMITH, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB,
Canada
Referees: MARK DE STEPHANO, SJ, Saint Peter's College, Jersey City, NJ, USA and
GORDON RIXON, SJ, Regis College, Toronto, ON, Canada Elliott MacGuigan
Hall

2 pm – 3.10 pm

Motional Materialism or Material Motionalism: Thomas Hobbes' Conception of URAM,
NOEL BOULTING, Upchurch, Kent, United Kingdom
Presiding: SHOKICHI UTO, Matsudo-Shi, Chiba-Ken, Japan
Referees: DR. RUSS SAWA, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB and PROF. FRED
WILSON, University College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada Room B

Poetry, Landscape and Ultimacy: Pope and Wordsworth. JOHN L. MAHONEY, Boston
College, Chestnut Hill, MA, USA
Presiding: ALLEN R. UTKE, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh WI, USA
Referees: CAROLYN WEBER, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA and DANIEL S.
LENOSKI, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Room C

Mystics and Literature: Finding the Middle Voice through Huxley, Powys and Wordsworth. ROBERT SMITH, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Presiding: JOSEPH SCHNER, President, Regis College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Referees: JOHN CHENG, Fu Jen Catholic University, Taipeh, ROC and DONNA NORELL, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada
Room D

4pm – 6pm

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF HUMAN IDEAS ABOUT ULTIMATE REALITY AND MEANING

All are welcome.

Elliott MacGuigan Hall

Saturday, August 6th, 2005

RESEARCH SESSIONS

8.45 am – 9.55 am

Evil, Evolution and Ultimate Meaning. RICHARD W. KROPF, Johannesburg, MI, USA

Presiding: LESLIE van GELDER, Walden University, Minneapolis, MN, USA

Referees: PETER ELY, SJ, Seattle University, Seattle, WA, USA and TERRY FAY, SJ, St. Augustine's Seminary, Scarborough, ON, Canada
Room B

The Lament about the European Cultural Detours: Dante, Machiavelli and Montesquieu. DR. ANNA MAKOLKIN, Centre for Russian and East European Studies, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON, Canada

Presiding: DANIEL S. LENOSKI, St. Paul's College, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg

Referees: DAVID J. LEIGH, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA and PROF. FRED WILSON, University College, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON Canada
Room C

Fragmented Utopias: The Counter-Cultural and Poststructuralist concepts about ultimate reality and meaning. DR. MARK PENNINGS, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia

Presiding: SHIV. D. TALWAR, Spiritual Heritage Education Network, Waterloo, ON, Canada

Referees: LARRY W. COOLEY, Winnipeg, MB, Canada and GEORGE KOVACS, Florida International University, Miami, FL, USA
Room D

SYMPOSIUM

10 AM – Noon

The Hermeneutics of Statements about Ultimacy

Organizer: DAVID J. LEIGH, Seattle University, Seattle WA, USA

Heidegger - JEREMIAH CONWAY, University of South Maine, Portland, ME, USA
Gadamer - JAMES RISSER, Seattle University, Seattle, WA, USA
Ricoeur - DAVID M. KAPLAN, University of North Texas, Denton, TX, USA
Lonergan - GORDON RIXON, SJ, Regis College, Toronto, ON, Canada
Elliott MacGuigan Hall

CLOSING BUFFET

12.30 pm – 2 pm

Elliott MacGuigan Hall

URAM awards: announcement of the incoming Secretary/Treasurer of the ISSHIURAM

All registered participants and their partners are cordially invited to this happy conclusion to the conference.