Students and faculty in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies can look forward to an exciting series of talks slated for the Fall 2013 semester.

The fall lecture series will start on the evening of September 26th with Sheila Lintott, an Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Brandeis University. Prof. Lintott will give a talk titled “Friendship, Homophily, and Implicit Bias: Friends, For Better or Worse.” Her primary research interests are in aesthetics, the philosophy of art, ethics, and applied ethics.

On October 11th Brad Weslake, an Assistant Professor at Rochester University, will visit Marist to give a talk. Prof. Weslake works primarily in the philosophy of science, but he also has research interests in metaphysics and the philosophy of mind. His current projects concern the relationship between different levels of explanation in the sciences.

The evening of October 23rd Andrei Buckareff, an Associate Professor at Marist, will give a talk on “Why Falsely Believing that Whiskey Will Quench Your Thirst Can be a Motivating Reason for Action.” Prof. Buckareff’s research interests are in metaphysics of mind and agency. He also has research interests in the philosophy of religion.

The final talk of the semester will be given by Jadda Strabbing, an Assistant Professor of Philosophy at Fordham University. She specializes in moral philosophy, and she also has interests in the philosophy of physics and religion.

All talks are scheduled to take place in the Henry Hudson Room on the third floor of Fontaine Hall. For any further information regarding the speaker series contact Dr. Henry Pratt at henry.pratt@marist.edu.

**Fourth Mid-Hudson Valley Undergraduate Philosophy Conference**

April 4-5

**Congratuations Dr. Jurgis Brakas!**

After over twenty years at Marist College Dr. Jurgis Brakas has decided to retire. The students and faculty of the department wish Dr. Brakas a wonderful retirement, and we thank him for his hard work and support over so many years.

Dr. Brakas is largely responsible for the existence of a major in philosophy at Marist, and he was also instrumental in hiring current faculty.
PHILOSOPHY INTERNSHIPS?
“What are you going to do with a degree in philosophy?”

Have you been asked this question? Do you not have a good answer? The Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies has a new internship program.

If interested in a philosophy internship, see the department’s internship coordinator, Dr. Andrei Buckareff (Fontaine 220), or email him at Andrei.buckareff@marist.edu

Fall Reading Group
David Hume’s An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding

Hume’s Treatise may have fallen “dead born from the press,” but his first Enquiry lives on!

Drs. Andrei Buckareff and James Snyder will host an informal reading group on Hume’s first Enquiry. The reading group will meet for an hour on Tuesday evenings at 5:00 p.m.

Movie Screening
“Being in the World”
November 5th @ 6:30
Fontaine 105

“Being in the World is a celebration of human beings, and our ability, through the mastery of physical, intellectual and creative skills, to find meaning in the world around us. This film takes us on a gripping and surprising journey around the world meeting extraordinary people, showing how we go from following rules to proficiency, to becoming masters in the form artists, craftsmen, athletes, and, ultimately, unique human beings attuned to the sacred.” (http://beingintheworldthemovie.com)

The screening of this film is for educational purposes as part of the requirements for the Philosophy Capping course.

MARIST UNDERGRADUATE PHILOSOPHY JOURNAL

This fall students and faculty are reviewing submissions to Marist’s Undergraduate Philosophy Journal.

The editorial board is hoping to publish its first volume in Fall 2013. If you are interested in working on the journal please contact the journal’s editor, Solomon Sloat, at Solomon.sloat1@marist.edu.

Catherine Wilson (York) to Give 2014 Conference Keynote

This spring Catherine Wilson will give the keynote address at the Fourth Mid-Hudson Valley Undergraduate Philosophy Conference. The Conference is scheduled to take place on April 4-5, 2014.

Catherine Wilson is the Anniversary Professor of Philosophy at the University of York. Prof. Wilson has published widely on the history of early modern philosophy and ethics. Her most recent book is Epicureanism at the Origins of Modernity (Oxford University Press, 2008). She is also the author of Moral Animals (Oxford University Press, 2004).

This year’s call for papers will be distributed soon. If you are interested in participating in the conference, or helping to organize it, please contact Dr. James Snyder at James.snyder@marist.edu.