The New York University Department of Philosophy will host the seventh in its series of conferences on issues in the history of modern philosophy on November 12 and 13, 2010. Each conference in the series examines the development of a central philosophical problem from early modern philosophy to the present, exploring the evolution of formulations of the problem and of approaches to resolving it. By examining the work of philosophers of the past both in historical context and in relation to contemporary philosophical thinking, the conferences allow philosophy's past and present to illuminate one another.

**Friday, November 12**

1:00-2:00 Check-in

2:00-4:00 First session: Spinoza  
Speaker: Edwin M. Curley (University of Michigan)  
Commentator: Martin Lin (Rutgers University)

4:30-6:30 Second session: Leibniz  
Speaker: Samuel Newlands (University of Notre Dame)  
Commentator: Michael Griffin (Central European University)

6:30-7:30 Reception

**Saturday, November 13**

10:00-12:00 Third session: Kant  
Speaker: Rae Langton (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)  
Commentator: Nick Stang (University of Miami)

2:00-4:00 Fourth session: Hegel  
Speaker: Pirmin Stekeler-Weithofer (Universität Leipzig)  
Commentator: Michael Forster (University of Chicago)

4:30-6:30 Fifth session: Contemporary Philosophy  
Speaker: Robert Brandom (University of Pittsburgh)  
Commentator: Karen Bennett (Cornell University, visiting at New York University)

7:30 Conference Banquet (program participants and invited guests)

Conference Directors: Béatrice Longuenesse, John Richardson, Don Garrett