

**Conference Schedule**  
**“Spiritual Exercises: From Antiquity to Present”**

**Thursday, January 27, 2011 (Classics 110)**

9:30 Welcome, Josef Stern, Director, Chicago Center for Jewish Studies

9:40-10:30 Arnold Davidson, University of Chicago, “Introductory Remarks: Homage to Pierre Hadot”

Chair: Arnold Davidson

10:30-11:30 Laura Cremonesi, University of Warwick, “Pierre Hadot and Michel Foucault on Spiritual Exercises: Transforming the Self, Transforming the Present.”

11:45-12:45 Mathew Kapstein, University of Chicago and Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes, Paris, “ ‘Spiritual Exercise’ and the Interpretation of Buddhist Philosophy in India.”

12:45-2 Lunch Break

Chair: James Robinson, University of Chicago

2-3 Elisha Russ-Fishbane, Princeton University, “Directing the Life of the Mind: Medieval Arabic Philosophy on Right Living.”

3-4 Josef Stern, University of Chicago, “Excrement and Exegesis: A Case-Study of Maimonidean Spiritual Exercise.”

4-4:30 Coffee Break

Chair: Bernard McGinn

4:30-5:30 Rachel Fulton Brown, University of Chicago, "Spiritual Exercises from Cassian to Loyola: Purpose, Form and Content."

5:30-6:30 Paul Fenton, Université Paris 4 and Centre de Recherche Français de Jérusalem (CNRS), “Khalwa (Solitary Meditation) as a Spiritual Exercise among the Judaeo-Sufis in 13<sup>th</sup> c. Egypt.”

Dinner Exercise (Classics 21)

Friday, January 28, 2011 (Franke Institute for the Humanities)

Chair: To Be Announced

9-10 Matthew Jones, Columbia University, "Tales of Bees, Sufficient Reason and Happiness: Emilie Du Châtelet and Spiritual Exercise in Mid-Enlightenment."

10-11 W. Clark Gilpin, University of Chicago, "'The Dungeon of thyself': The Spiritual Disciplines of Imprisonment in Early Modern England."

11-11:30 Coffee Break

Chair: Josef Stern

11:30-12:30 Michael Fishbane, University of Chicago, "The Spiritual-Metaphysical Journals of Rabbi Abraham I. Kook and Gabriel Marcel: A Comparative Phenomenology."

12:30-1:30 Sandra Laugier, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, "Pierre Hadot's Reading of Wittgenstein: Language as Spiritual Exercise."