

## CURS SEMINARI SOBRE PLATÓ I HEIDEGGER

La Secció de Filosofia Antiga de la Societat Catalana de Filosofia de l'Institut d'Estudis Catalans té el goig de convidar-vos al curs seminari que oferirà el professor estatunidenc Francisco J. González, de la Universitat d'Ottawa, els dies 12, 14 i 15 de gener de 2010 amb el títol «Platon and Heidegger on Truth and Dialogue».

Aquest curs seminari es farà conjuntament amb el Grup de Recerca Hermenèutica i Platonisme de la Universitat de Barcelona, l'investigador principal del qual és el professor Josep Monserrat, i s'hi seguirà el llibre recentíssim del professor González: *Plato and Heidegger: A Question of Dialogue*. Pensilvania: Penn State Press, 2009.

Les sessions del dimarts 12 i del divendres 15 tindran lloc a la seu de l'Institut d'Estudis Catalans, de 16.30 a 19 hores. La sessió del dijous 14 se celebrarà a la Facultat de Filosofia de la Universitat de Barcelona, a la mateixa hora.

El professor González ens ha enviat l'esquema del curs, que és el següent:

### *Plan of the Seminar on Plato and Heidegger*

- a) First Seminar: Brief introduction followed by Heidegger's interpretation of the Sun Analogy in the context of his thesis of a transformation of the essence of truth in Plato from unconcealment to correctness. Relevant parts of my book: pp. 113-136, 152-157. Recommended preparation for the seminar: read the whole of chapter three or up to page 161.
- b) Second Seminar: Heidegger on Dialectic and Dialogue in Plato. Pp. 8-11, 20-29, 269-280, 286-292. Recommended preparation for the seminar: read the whole of chapter six.
- c) Third Seminar: The Final Confrontation between Plato and Heidegger: Heightened Affinity and Heightened Opposition. Pp. 308-336, 342-345. Recommended preparation for the seminar: read the whole of chapter seven.

Si algú vol adquirir amb descompte el llibre del professor Francisco J. González, pot consultar el full que hi ha al final d'aquesta invitació. Ens complaurà molt la vostra assistència.

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## PLATO AND HEIDEGGER

### A Question of Dialogue

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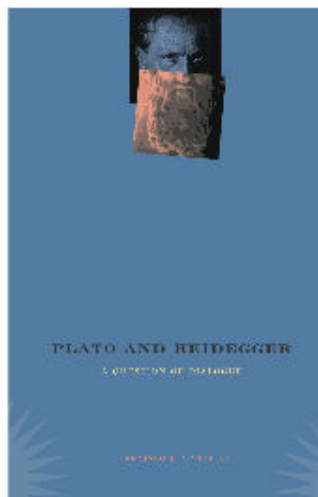
"Francisco Gonzalez's book is the most thorough study yet of Heidegger's encounter with the work of Plato throughout his career. Gonzalez traces the development of Heidegger's attitude toward Plato from his early lecture courses to the very end of his career in exhaustive detail. Despite the relentless critique of Heidegger's Plato interpretations within its pages, the book presses for a positive conclusion, that it is up to us to engage the genuine dialogue between these two thinkers that Heidegger himself could never adequately accomplish." — Drew A. Hyland, Trinity College

In a critique of Heidegger that respects his path of thinking, Francisco Gonzalez looks at the ways in which Heidegger engaged with Plato's thought over the course of his career and concludes that, owing to intrinsic requirements of Heidegger's own philosophy, he missed an opportunity to conduct a real dialogue with Plato that would have been philosophically fruitful for us all.

Examining in detail early texts of Heidegger's reading of Plato that have only recently come to light, Gonzalez, in parts 1 and 2, shows there to be certain affinities between Heidegger's and Plato's thought that were obscured in his 1942 essay

"Plato's Doctrine of Truth," on which scholars have exclusively relied in interpreting what Heidegger had to say about Plato. This more nuanced reading, in turn, helps Gonzalez provide in Part 3 an account of Heidegger's later writings that highlights the ways in which Heidegger, in repudiating the kind of metaphysics he associated with Plato, took a direction away from dialectic and dialogue that left him unable to pursue those affinities that could have enriched Heidegger's own philosophy as well as Plato's. "A genuine dialogue with Plato," Gonzalez argues, "would have forced [Heidegger] to go in certain directions where he did not want to go and could not go without his own thinking undergoing a radical transformation."

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