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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### N.E.H. SUMMER SEMINAR FOR COLLEGE TEACHERS

An eight-week Summer Seminar for College Teachers on Central Themes in the philosophies of Descartes, Spinoza and Leibniz will be held at Syracuse University from June 10 to August 2, 1996, under the direction of Jonathan Bennett. The stipend for members of the seminar will be \$4,000. Applicants, from whom the twelve members will be selected, must be US citizens or have resided in the US since March 1, 1993. Selection will be made on the basis primarily of merit but with some weight also being given to need. The “need” criterion will help applicants who have large teaching loads, and/or are at institutions where good research in the humanities does not loom large, and/or have been teaching for three+ years without easy access to a good major library. Faculty from Ph.D.-granting departments at institutions with large library holdings are not normally eligible, though “special case” stories will be listened to.

The seminar will focus on philosophical issues on which Descartes, Spinoza and Leibniz all had views, especially ones where Descartes held an unstable or vulnerable middle position from which the other two departed in opposite directions: How big are material substances? How remote - metaphysically speaking - is my mind from my body? To what extent is God like a human being? The aim will be to learn and grow philosophically by doing philosophy in the company of these three great men.

Anyone who might be interested in participating is invited to write to Jonathan Bennett, Philosophy Department, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY 13244, or to communicate by email ([bennett@mailbox.syr.edu](mailto:bennett@mailbox.syr.edu)), asking for application materials and further details.

The **British Society for the History of Philosophy** announces an international colloquium to celebrate the 350th Anniversary of Leibniz's birth. Theme: *The Young Leibniz and his Philosophy (1646-76)*. To be held at Maryland College, Woburn, Bedfordshire, 18-20 October, 1996. Participants include: Maria Rosa Antognazza; Philip Beeley, Christia Mercer, G. H. R. Parkinson, and R. C. Sleight, Jr. Inquiries, including offers of papers on the topic of the conference, should be directed to Professor Stuart Brown, Dept. of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts, The Open University, Walton Hall, Milton Keynes, MK7 6AA (e-mail: S.C. Brown@Open.AC.UK).

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