

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Summer Institute for American Philosophy (SIAP)

June 24-28, 2024



Eruption of Kilauea, home of Pele, on June 7, 2023 (Photo by Janice Wei)

Submission Deadline: February 1, 2024

SIAP will be held at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo on June 24-28, 2024.

This year's theme is "The Elemental." As SIAP will be held on Hawai'i Island, the elemental speaks to the more than human world grounded within a specific Indigenous context and place in Hawai'i. The elemental broadly envisions a philosophy of nature. We invite submissions in any area of American Philosophy at SIAP. Presentations may either be traditional papers or may fit a variety of other presentation formats.

Submission Instructions: Please specify in your submission the type of presentation from the list below, according to instructions. Email your submissions to celiab@hawaii.edu. The subject line of your email should read: "SIAP 2024 Submission: [format type (e.g., Traditional Paper, Dissertation-In-Progress)]. Submit attachments as a pdf only. The submission deadline is February 1, 2024.

Traditional Papers: Papers in all areas of American philosophy are welcome, but we will particularly favor papers whose topics are related to the themes of the plenary seminars and the work of our keynote speakers. Instructions: Please submit an abstract of 500 words describing the paper in detail. Final papers should be of a length suitable for a brief presentation of about 20 minutes.

Books-In-Progress: Those working on book manuscripts in some area of research pertinent to American philosophy are invited to discuss their idea with seminar participants. This includes fresh ideas for books just underway as well as books nearing completion, but does not extend to author-critics sessions on recently-published books. Instructions: Please submit a 500-word abstract describing your book manuscript, the content of your presentation, your ideas for the format of the presentation.

Dissertations-In-Progress: Graduate students preparing dissertation proposals, in the dissertation-writing phase, or approaching their dissertation defense are invited to present their work at special dissertations-in-progress sessions. This is a regular tradition at SIAP and one of the most exciting venues to showcase new work that is being developed in American Philosophy at various graduate programs across the country and internationally. Instructions: Please submit a 500-word abstract describing the content of your dissertation. We will work with you in advance of the session on general guidelines for preparing the presentation and what to expect. In addition, please note: **we have a limited number of travel grants available to graduates at the conference who will be presenting**, so please indicate your interest upon your submission if you would like to be considered for a travel grant which will cover the entire cost of housing as well as registration fees (leaving the remaining costs of travel to your home institution or other support). These grants are generously funded by the Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy.

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