

Indeterminacy: Un\knowing a body in space

Cultural, Social, and Political Thought Graduate Student Conference Call for Papers
University of Victoria – Coast Salish and Straits Salish Territories
May 5th to 7th

Do I dare
Disturb the universe?
In a minute there is time
For decisions and revisions which a minute will reverse.

—T. S. Eliot, “The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock”

The Cultural, Social, and Political Thought (CSPT) program at the University of Victoria (UVic) is pleased to announce its annual interdisciplinary graduate student conference, Indeterminacy: un\knowing a body in space.

We invite participants to consider the following questions: what space is your body suspended within as a researcher? Is definition or placement even possible? Where does the impetus of your research reside? What borders does your work cross, and what limits does it approach? This year, the CSPT conference will showcase research that straddles disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, and fine arts, investigating thinkers who exist or existed on the margins of society. What philosophers, theorists, writers, or artists have written from and about a liminal space?

We are calling for unanchored ideas that refuse to lay still.

Speakers, panel groups, and performers are invited to submit a 250 word proposal on research in any discipline pertaining to a broad array of subjects, including or related to:

- Embodiment/alienation
- Affect
- Language
- Identity/dysphoria
- Aesthetics
- Object/subject
- Power and truth
- Space/place/temporality/liminality
- States of consciousness
- Performativity
- Queerness
- Death/life
- Colonization/decolonization
- Translation
- Indigeneity
- Virtuality
- Posthumanism
- Borders

This conference actively welcomes experimental and creative performances in addition to paper presentations, panels, and workshops. Please send proposals to csptstudents@uvic.ca by February 10th 2017. Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.