Émilie Du Châtelet's Foundations of Physics
A conference celebrating the complete English translation
April 26-28, 2018
University of Notre Dame

Program

All events take place in 210-214 McKenna Hall, unless otherwise indicated

Thursday April 26th
6:30pm Welcome banquet and celebration of the translation (Morris Inn, Salon A/B)

Friday April 27th
8:00-9:00 Continental breakfast and registration
9:00-10:30 Chair: Katherine Brading
  9:00-9:30 Katherine Brading, Welcome and Introduction to Du Châtelet's Foundations of Physics
  9:30-10:00 Karen Detlefsen and Andrew Janiak, The Relation of the Institutions to Du Châtelet's Other Works
  10:00-10:30 Monica Solomon, Foundations and Empiricism: Du Châtelet's Philosophy of Time

11:00-12:30 Chair: Lydia Patton
  11:00-11:30 Ruth Hagengruber, Du Châtelet between Leibniz and Kant: The Kant-Eberhard Controversy
  11:30-12:00 John Hanson, The Discreteness of Matter and the Law of Continuity in Du Châtelet's Foundations
  12:00-12:30 Anne-Lise Rey, The (metaphysical?) foundations of the theory of attraction in Émilie Du Châtelet's Institutions

12:30-2:00 Lunch (Morris Inn, Salon A/B)

2:00-4:30 Chair: Wilda Anderson
  2:00-2:30 Judith P. Zinsser, Changing the Canon: Émilie Du Châtelet Joins the Procession
  3:30-4:00 Anne Seul, Du Châtelet and the Encyclopedia of Diderot and d'Alembert
  4:00-4:30 Ronald Smeltzer, A Bibliophile Looks at Du Châtelet's Institutions de Physique

4:45-6:15 Chair: Karen Detlefsen
  Roundtable discussion: Du Châtelet in philosophical context
  Lisa Downing, Sarah Hutton and Marius Stan.

7:00pm Dinner (Morris Inn, Salon A/B)
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Saturday April 28th
8:00-9:00  Continental breakfast

9:00-10:30  Chair: Sarah Hutton
9:00-9:30  Ashton Green, Real Forces, Mechanical Causes: Émilie Du Châtelet's Philosophy of Science in the "Dissertation on the Nature and Propagation of Fire"
9:30-10:00  Bryce Gessell, The philosophical significance of Du Châtelet's "Essai sur l'optique"
10:00-10:30  Marcy Lascano, Du Châtelet on illusions

11:00-12:30  Chair: Eric Watkins
11:00-11:30  Keiko Kawashima, Reputation and ambition: Du Châtelet's revisions in her Dissertation on fire (1744)
11:30-12:00  Aaron Wells, Explanation in Du Châtelet's Institutions de Physique
12:00-12:30  Andrea Reichenberger, Émilie Du Châtelet on the Laws of Motion

12:45-1:45  Lunchtime discussion: Perils and pleasures of translating Du Châtelet's works
    (Lunch available outside the conference room in the East Lounge; please bring your lunch back into the conference room if you wish to participate in this informal discussion)

2:00-3:30  Chair: Katherine Brading
2:00-2:30  George Smith, Émilie Du Châtelet and Newton's Principia
2:30-3:30  Roundtable discussion: Teaching Du Châtelet in the philosophy classroom
          Karen Detlefsen, Liz Goodnick, Ruth Hagengruber, Andrew Janiak.

3:30-4:30  Wine and cheese reception celebrating the launch of the translation

Departure