

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

**Program (draft)**

**Thursday April 26th**

6:30pm Welcome banquet and celebration of the translation

**Friday April 27th**

- 9:00-10:30 **Katherine Brading**, Welcome and Introduction to Du Châtelet's *Foundations of Physics*  
**Karen Detlefsen and Andrew Janiak**, The Relation of the Institutions to Du Châtelet's Other Works  
**Monica Solomon**, Foundations and Empiricism: Du Chatelet's Philosophy of Time
- 11:00-12:30 **Ruth Hagengruber**, What's new in Du Châtelet's metaphysics?  
**John Hanson**, The Discreteness of Matter and the Law of Continuity in Du Châtelet's Foundations  
**Anne-Lise Rey**, The (metaphysical?) foundations of the theory of attraction in *Émilie Du Châtelet's Institutions*
- 2:00-3:45 **Judith Zinsser**, Changing the Canon: *Émilie Du Chatelet Joins the Procession*  
**Lauren Montes and Phillip R. Sloan**, The Manuscript of the Institutions: An Insight Into Controversy  
**Anne Seul**, Du Châtelet and the Encyclopedia of Diderot and d'Alembert
- 4:15-5:45 **Roundtable discussion: Du Châtelet in philosophical context**  
**Lisa Downing, Sarah Hutton and Marius Stan. Chaired by Eric Watkins.**

**Saturday April 28th**

- 9:00-10:30 **Ashton Green**, Real Forces, Mechanical Causes: *Émilie Du Châtelet's Philosophy of Science in the "Dissertation on the Nature and Propagation of Fire"*  
**Bryce Gessell**, The philosophical significance of du Châtelet's "Essai sur l'optique"  
**Marcy Lascano**, Du Châtelet on illusions
- 11:00-12:30 **Keiko Kawashima**, Reputation and ambition: Du Chatelet's revisions in her Dissertation on fire (1744)  
**Aaron Wells**, Explanation in Du Châtelet's *Institutions de Physique*  
**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
- 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, Ruth Hagengruber, Andrew Janiak. Chaired by Katherine Brading.**
- 3:30-4:30 Wine and cheese reception celebrating the launch of the translation

Registration open at: [philosophy.nd.edu/foundations-of-physics](http://philosophy.nd.edu/foundations-of-physics)  
Translations as they become available at: [www.kbrading.org/du-chatelet](http://www.kbrading.org/du-chatelet)