

# The Ethics of Interpretation: From Ancient to Postmodern Times

Conference jointly organized by  
the Seminar on Phenomenology and Hermeneutics and  
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May 13-14, 2009, Raynor Library Conference Center C

## Wednesday May 13

1:45-2:00	Welcome: Dr. Jeanne Hossenlopp, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Dr. James South, Chair of the Philosophy Department	11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
2:00-4:00	Chair: Dr. Richard Taylor (Marquette)	11:30-12:30	Chair: Dr. Javier Ibañez-Noe (Marquette)  Dr. Sebastian Luft (Marquette) “Interpreting ‘Correctly’: Authors’ Intentions, Readers’ Interpretations, and the Problem of a ‘Correct Reading’”
2:00-3:00	Dr. Franco V. Trivigno (Marquette) “Childish Nonsense? The Value of Interpretation in Plato’s <i>Protagoras</i> ”	12:30-2:00	Lunch Break
3:00-4:00	Mr. Shazad Akhtar (Marquette) “Merleau-Ponty Reads Husserl: A Case Study in the Ethics of Appropriation”	2:00-4:00	Chair: Fr. Joseph Mueller, S.J. (Marquette)
4:00-4:30	Coffee Break	2:00-3:00	Dr. Steve Long (Marquette) “The Unity of Interpretation: Augustine’s Understanding of Language in Light of Mignolo’s Post-colonial Theory”
4:30-6:00	Chair: Dr. Franco V. Trivigno	3:00-4:00	Dr. Pol Vandeveld (Marquette) “The Ethics vs. the Politics of Interpretation”
6:00	Reception	4:00-4:30	Coffee Break
		4:30-6:00	Chair: Dr. Pol Vandeveld

Dr. Kenneth Dorter (University of Guelph)  
“Platonic Hermeneutics:  
Plato Reading, Reading Plato”

## Thursday, May 14

9:00-11:00	Chair: Dr. Owen Goldin (Marquette)	6:00	Reception
9:00-10:00	Mr. Geoffrey Holsclaw (Marquette) “Can Hermeneutics Overcome Historicism? The Ethics of Textual and Sacramental Practices”		
10:00-11:00	Mr. Nathan Blackerby (Marquette) “Knowledge and Society: Two Interpretations of Alfarabi’s Political Philosophy”		

Dr. Vincent Colapietro (Pennsylvania State University)  
“Transgressive Fidelity”