

## **"Perspectives on Heidegger" conference to be sponsored by Department of Philosophy**

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Noted philosophers from the United States, Canada and Germany will speak at a two-day symposium Friday and Saturday, May 24 and 25, sponsored by the Department of Philosophy at the University of California, San Diego.

The conference, titled "Perspectives on Heidegger," will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Room 1105 of the Basic Science Building at the UCSD School of Medicine.

Some 75 philosophers from colleges and universities in the San Diego area and throughout California are expected to attend the symposium during which a variety of viewpoints on the ideas of the German philosopher Martin Heidegger will be presented.

The meeting is also open to the public according to Dr. Edward N. Lee, UCSD associate professor of philosophy and coordinator of the program.

Dr. William D. McElroy, UCSD chancellor, said, "Significant events of this type emphasize UCSD's growing reputation in the humanities in addition to the university's recognized achievements in the sciences."

The Friday program will include talks by Dr. Hubert L. Dreyfus, UC Berkeley, at 9:30 a.m.; Dr. Charles Taylor, McGill University, Toronto, at 1:15 p.m. and Dr. Erich Heller, Northwestern University, at 3:15 p.m.

A videotape interview between Dr. Herbert Marcuse, UCSD honorary professor of philosophy, and Dr. Frederick A. Olafson, chairman of the UCSD Department of Philosophy, will be shown at 9:30 a.m. Saturday. The final session will feature Dr. Richard M. Rorty, Princeton University, speaking at 1:15 p.m.

Serving as commentators for the presentations will be Dr. Bernd Magnus, UC Riverside; Dr. J. Glenn Gray, Colorado College; Dr. Jurgen Habermas, Max-Planck-Institut, Starnberg, Germany; Marjorie G. Grene, UC Davis, and Olafson.

Martin Heidegger is considered one of the most important influences in the development of modern existentialist theology. Now 75, the German philosopher first gained public attention with his book "Being In Time" which was published in 1927.

Heidegger was a professor of philosophy at the University of Marburg (Germany) from 1923 to 1928 and at the University of Berlin from 1928 to 1933. He served as rector at Berlin from 1933 to 1951 when he achieved emeritus status.

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