



# Research Seminar: Philosophy and Yoga

Wednesdays 5.00 – 6.30pm Summer term 2020, SOAS University of London

The SOAS Centre of Yoga Studies is delighted to host a series of seminars with scholars at the heart of Philosophy and Yoga Studies. This study group brings together leading scholars, researchers and graduates in the scholarly study of yoga as well as students of yoga more broadly.

SOAS is home to world-class research and teaching on Yoga Studies. The Centre of Yoga Studies seeks to promote the academic study of the history, philosophy and practice of yoga. This study group is an opportunity for scholars to share their research and for participants to engage closely with their work. Please join us. Spaces are limited to facilitate exchange of ideas, and participants are asked to register in advance. Readings will be shared prior to the sessions.

**Dr. Karl-Stéphan Bouthillette**

FWO Postdoctoral Fellow, Universiteit Gent

**Title: *Nerds of Yoga: Perusing the Path of Knowledge through Philosophical Doxography***

22 April 2020

Room G51a

**Prof. Chakravarti Ram-Prasad**

Distinguished Professor of Comparative Religion and Philosophy, Lancaster University

**Title: *Yoga, Philosophy and Gender: Thinking through a Debate in the Mahābhārata***

29 April 2020

Room G51a

**Prof. Diwakar Acharya**

Spalding Professor of Eastern Religions and Ethics, All Souls College Oxford

**Title: *'Death Does Not Exist,' How?: The Teachings of Sanatsujāta***

6 May 2020

**Dr. Mikel Burley**

Associate Professor of Religion and Philosophy, University of Leeds

**Title: *Studying Yoga Philosophically: Ontology, Epistemology, Ethics***

13 May 2020

**Dr. Jessica Frazier**

Research Lecturer, University of Oxford

**Title: *Artful Forms of Life: The Unbearable Plasticity of Being in Classical Yoga***

20 May 2020

**Dr. Karen O'Brien-Kop**

Lecturer in Asian Religions and Ethics, University of Roehampton

**Title: *Entangled Ontologies in the Pātañjalayogaśāstra: Sāṃkhya, Sarvāstivāda and Sautrāntika***

3 June 2020

Please contact Ruth Westoby, seminar convenor, to register ([ruth\\_westoby@soas.ac.uk](mailto:ruth_westoby@soas.ac.uk)) noting which sessions you would like to attend and your area of research.