

Dear Colleagues:

Next fall the Department of Philosophy at Northwestern University will sponsor a meeting of persons interested in existential philosophy and phenomenology on this campus. The dates of the meeting will be October 26th and 27th. One paper will be read on Friday afternoon, October 26th, to be followed by discussion and by a social gathering later that evening. Two papers will be read Saturday morning, the 27th, each followed by discussion. The meeting will be over by noon Saturday.

If you would be interested in attending this meeting, we would appreciate a reply within the near future. More definite information on the program and the papers to be read will be sent to you later on. If you will be unable to attend this meeting next fall but would be interested in attending meetings of this kind in later years, we would be interested in hearing from you. Or, if it is impossible for you to attend because of distance, we would appreciate hearing whether you think periodical meetings of persons interested in phenomenological and existential studies should be rotated so as to be held in successive years at different regions of the country. For the first meeting next fall we will expect attendance mainly from the midwest, but our invitation is meant to include anyone interested in attending from any part of the country.

The purpose of this meeting is to gather together a group of those philosophers who are interested in presenting papers on and discussing the various aspects of phenomenology and existential philosophy as a living tradition. We conceive phenomenology to include not only the history of the movement up to now but also contemporary and future developments of phenomenological studies both in philosophy and in their contributions to the human sciences, to psychology and psychiatry, social studies and religion.

We would appreciate hearing from you as to whether you would be interested in attending and we welcome any suggestions concerning the program of this or future meetings.

Sincerely yours,

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