

# APA Grant

## Final Report

The *First Canadian Colloquium for Ancient Philosophy* took place at the University of Alberta May 3-5, 2012. The conference was dedicated to fostering scholarly research on issues in Ancient Philosophy among scholars in Canada, and to strengthen ties between Canadian and international scholars. It was intended to become an annual high-level event, hosted by different Canadian universities.

The conference was very successful. The organizers received extremely positive feedback on the colloquium, and now it is certain that this conference will become an annual event. The *Second Canadian Colloquium for Ancient Philosophy* will take place at the University of Ottawa in the spring of 2013. Also, proceedings from the first conference will be published in a special issue of *Apeiron*, an academic journal specializing in ancient philosophy.

The conference included individual talks, roundtable discussions, and poster presentations. The program can be found at <http://ccap2012.tumblr.com/> All events were open to all faculty and students of the University of Alberta.

In addition to the American Philosophical Association, the conference was supported by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada; Faculty of Arts (U of A), St. Joseph's College; Department of Philosophy (U of A); Department of History and Classics (U of A); and the Department of Philosophy (UWO).

The American Philosophical Association support was recognized in the conference program and website (at <http://ccap2012.tumblr.com/>), and at conference posters distributed around the university campus, and emailed to all departments of philosophy at Canadian universities.

The American Philosophical Association Grant was used to cover the travel and accommodation costs of Prof. Victor Caston (\$1239.67) and the travel costs of Prof. Louis-André Dorion (\$760). Prof. Caston and Prof. Dorion were invited speakers of the conference, who gave individual talks and were also involved in roundtable discussions. Prof. Caston from the University of Michigan is one of the leading experts in the philosophy of the Ancient Commentators, which was one of the main themes of the conference. The participation of Prof. Dorion from Université de Montréal was also very important, as one of our goals was to strengthen research liaisons among Francophone and Anglophone universities. The American Philosophical Association support helped us to achieve this goal, and to make it a successful conference.

Sincerely yours,



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