

12th Biennial Radical Philosophy Association Conference
“21st Century Socialism: Concepts and Visions”
November 10th – 12th, 2016
Information for Participants

Conference Location

The conference will be hosted at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, KY. The conference is centered in a building called The 90 (440 Hilltop Avenue) in the center/southwest part of campus. Most conference sessions will be held in The 90, but some will be held in Room M-108C in the basement of W.T. Young Library, across Hilltop Avenue from The 90. Some sessions in The 90 will take place in the “Private Dining Room,” located on the First Floor at the back of the student cafeteria (the cafeteria staff is aware of the event). Signs will be posted in visible locations to point you toward these less-than-direct locations, and you can always ask the folks at the registration table for further direction. Most of our plenaries, along with our keynote address, will be held in the Jacobs Science Building (JSB), located at the end of Hilltop Avenue to the west of The 90. It takes about five minutes to walk between The 90 and JSB. Once again, yard signs will be in place to point you toward conference events.

Hotels

The Hyatt Regency
401 West High Street
Lexington, KY 40507
(859) 253-1234

University Inn
1229 S. Limestone (at Waller Ave.)
Lexington, KY 40503
(859) 278-6625

For alternate lodging options, check out: <http://rpaconferenceuk.freeforums.net/>

Transportation and Parking

Airport Shuttle: For people staying at The Hyatt Regency, the hotel offers a free shuttle service to and from Lexington’s Bluegrass Airport from 6 am to 12 am (midnight).

Walking (recommended): The 90 is about a 30-minute walk from the Hyatt Regency and about a 15-minute walk from University Inn. Lexington is pedestrian-friendly, but we recommend that you consult a map before walking to the conference, since the available paths are winding and numerous. The weather in Lexington has been unseasonably warm this month, so lows at night may be in the 40’s, highs during the day may be in the 50’s or 60’s during the conference. Bring an umbrella or raincoat, as rain is possible, though not probable, this time of year.

Uber & Lyft: Lexington has thriving Uber and Lyft services that you can use.

Taxi Services: Bluegrass Cab: (859) 231-8888
Lexington Taxi: (859) 308-6555
Yellow Cab Lexington: (859) 231-8294

Parking: Parking on campus on Thursday and Friday will be scarce, so we recommend that you find some other means of transportation or carpool with others and plan on getting to campus as early as possible on these days. On Saturday, you should be able to find parking for free in the Rose St. Garage (PS2), accessible from Hilltop Avenue. There are two options for parking on campus on Thursday and Friday.

The first option (recommended) is to park in designated visitor parking for \$2.00/hr (locations designated with a “V” in a red circle on the map of parking locations; there is a lot across from The 90 that qualifies, but available spaces may be limited). You can purchase a day pass for all visitor parking areas for \$10 at the office of the Limestone St. Garage (PS5). You can find the map of parking locations here:

<http://www.uky.edu/pts/sites/www.uky.edu.pts/files/pdfs/ukpts-parking-map-permit-large.pdf>

The second option for parking is to purchase a day pass to access non-gated employee lots for \$3.50, available at the Press Ave. Garage (PS6), located at the corner of Press Ave. and Virginia Ave. This will allow you to park in the “royal blue” areas on the map of parking locations. These spaces, especially Rose St. Garage (PS2), fill up quickly with hospital and campus employees very early in the morning, but space is more likely available after 4 pm. Passes are not needed for these spaces after 7:30 pm. We do not recommend this option, but knowledge is power.

A third option, if you are willing to walk *part* of the way to the conference, is to search for free parking on nearby residential streets (e.g. Rose Lane, Transylvania Park, Aylesford Place, Linden Walk, Rose St., Grosvenor Ave., Stone St., Kalmia Ave., Lyndhurst Place, etc.). If you find free public parking, be aware that you will be ticketed if you park anywhere next to yellow-painted curbs (though you can often get away with six inches or so on the yellow).

Contact lilawakeman@uky.edu before Thursday, Nov. 10th to let her know that you want a day pass parking voucher for visitor lots, and she will purchase one for you ahead of time. You can then pick it up and pay for it at the conference registration table, for your convenience.

Public Transit: Unfortunately, Lexington’s bus routes leave a lot to be desired, and there are no ideal routes between our hotels and the conference. We recommend finding other means of transportation, but if you’re curious, here’s a link to our public transit site: <http://lextran.com/>

Registration Table

The registration table will be on the Second Floor of The 90, at the top of the stairs off the Main Lobby (these are highly visible). The registration table will be staffed during regular conference hours; more specific hours will be provided on-site. Everyone is welcome to come pick up a name tag, program, and ask any questions you may have. If you have not yet registered, please be sure to do so. At the registration table, you can also pay to attend the banquet before our keynote address on Saturday night (featuring eggplant lasagna, vegan Thai curry, desserts, and cash bar!).

On-Site Registration Costs:

Full-Time Faculty: \$80

Part-Time Faculty (incl. retired): \$55

Graduate Student: \$30

Undergraduate Student: \$20

Banquet Costs:

Full-Time and Part-Time Faculty: \$30

Graduate and Undergraduate Students: \$20

Payment Methods: Cash or Check (made out to University of Kentucky Dept. of Philosophy)

Refreshments (in “The Boardroom,” RM 226 in The 90)

Refreshments will be provided every morning and afternoon of the conference. They will be in RM 226 of The 90, or the “Boardroom,” down the hall from the registration table. Join us on Friday and Saturday morning for coffee, tea, pastries, and fruit. On Thursday, Friday, and Saturday afternoon, enjoy *MORE* coffee and tea, along with an assortment of gourmet cookies.