

## **Forskerkurs II med Espen Hammer**

Tid og sted:

15 - 19 juni 2009, hver dag fra kl 10.00 - 14.00 (det serveres lunsj, 11.30 - 12.30)  
Undervisningsrom 3 Georg Sverdrups hus. Påmelding til forskerskolekoordinator Beate Elvebakk på e-post: beate.elvebakk@tik.uio.no eller per telefon: 22 84 16 85.

This course will be devoted to Hegel's ethical thought as it is being developed in Elements of the Philosophy of Right. Central to Hegel's project is an interpretation of the modern state as embodying, in various ways, a claim to freedom. Unlike standard liberal accounts, however, Hegel does not take freedom to involve only the equal imposition of subjective rights within a well-ordered, neutral state; rather, freedom requires a complex identification with various institutions, and ultimately a "reconciliation" between the individual and the state as a whole. We will be exploring this idea and the extent to which it challenges liberalism. Along the way, we will be encountering a number of influential ideas – about self-actualization, happiness, recognition, as well as problems of modern social life such as how to integrate an individualistically oriented capitalistic market-place into a well-ordered social whole.

### **Primary reading:**

Hegel, Elements of the Philosophy of Right, trans. H. B. Nisbet (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1991)

### **Secondary reading:**

Michael Hardimon, Hegel's Social Philosophy: The Project of Reconciliation (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1994)

Frederick Neuhouser, Foundations of Hegel's Social Theory: Actualizing Freedom (Boston: Harvard University Press, 2003)

Allen W. Wood, Hegel's Ethical Thought (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1990)

Kurset vil bli holdt på norsk.