

# The Third Immanuel Kant International Summer School “Kant on Science and Rationality”

Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University  
*Academia Kantiana*

**Target audience:** advanced bachelor students, master students, PhD students, recent postdocs (with PhD received not before 2017).

**Dates:** 22 – 28 July 2019

## Call for applications:

The *Academia Kantiana* of the Immanuel Kant Baltic Federal University invites applications for participation in the Second Immanuel Kant International Summer School.

Kant’s transcendental philosophy has often been described as a philosophy of science, or at least as a philosophy which is most closely related to the sciences of his times – and one in which his concept of reason plays a central role. The 2019 summer school is devoted on Kant’s views on the meanings and roles of reason for the sciences as well as its historical impact. Three aspects will take center stage: (1) the role of “constitutive” a priori knowledge for the sciences; (2) the role of “regulative” ideas of pure reason for the sciences; (3) the definition of the different sciences, and their classification by an “architectonics of reason”.

The summer school will focus on the analysis of central passages from Kant’s works, including publications on the natural and the human sciences as well as texts from his critical works. Furthermore, the school will also address the long-term historical impact of his philosophical thinking about the science.

**Scientific Supervisor** – Prof. Dr. Thomas Sturm, research professor of the ICREA and Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.

**Scientific Assistants** – ??

The summer school consists of lectures, seminars, and readings. Within the framework of the summer school there will also be a scientific conference, in which participants will give their own presentations on a research topic related to Kant’s philosophy, and discuss it with colleagues from different universities of Russia and the world.

At the end of the summer school the participants will be given a certificate of their participation.

**Working languages:** English, Russian.

## Preliminary Program of the School

**Program** includes:

- lectures, seminars, readings;
- the conference of the participants of the school with the discussion.

Lectures and seminars – in English

Readings – in English and Russian.

### Thematic program of lectures and seminars:

Lecture 1: Philosophy’s lessons from science: Reason in logic, mathematics, and natural science

Seminar 1: Cosmology and scientific hypotheses

Lecture 2: Philosophy’s framing of science: A priori knowledge, metaphysics and natural science

Seminar 2: Apriori presuppositions of science

Lecture 3: Reason in history and anthropology

Seminar 3: Ideas of reason in the sciences

Lecture 4: Kant and the philosophy of science today

Seminar 4: “Architectonics”, or the “art of systems” of the sciences

*This School is the part of the International Summer School “Rationality in Philosophy and Right”, supported by the Forum “Petersburger Dialog” and the Russian Academic Excellence Project.*

## HOW TO APPLY

School participants are selected on a *competitive basis*, no more than 15 people. Participation in the summer school is free of charge.

**ATTENTION:** By the application strictly **until 05 April 2019** (*early bird application*), and successful evaluation of the papers, travel to the venue of the school, accommodation in Svetlogorsk, and daily meal will be paid by our sponsor.

By the later application and availability of free places, the travel costs, accommodation, and meal are paid individually by the participants. In this case, the organizers kindly ask all students and young scholars interested in the costs reimbursement to apply for travel-grants at their home universities.

**Deadline for submission:** 05 April, 2019 (early bird application)

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**Results of acceptance:** 10 April, 2019 (early bird application)

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### Requirements for applications:

*English*, at least upper intermediate;

*Questionnaire* (see attachment);

*Motivation Letter* (in English, 350-400 words)

*Abstract* on the topic of your presentation related to Kant's philosophy (in English, 1200-1400 words of main text, plus references).

**Location:** Svetlogorsk, Kaliningrad region, Baltic sea.

**E-mail:** [academia@kantiana.ru](mailto:academia@kantiana.ru) (Thread: **Kant Summer School 2019**)

**Contact person:** Prof. Dr. Nina A. Dmitrieva

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