

UTECH SEMINARS: MARK WRATHALL JULY 22–23, 2025 AT ST. OLAF COLLEGE

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July 22—"Time, Eternity, and the Moment: Kierkegaard and the Temporality of Existence"

July 23—"Kierkegaardian Temporality and 20th Century Phenomenologies of Time"

Each seminar will be held in RNS 290, from 2–4pm.

Abstract: We will begin with a close examination of Kierkegaard's distinctive conception of temporality, primarily as developed in *The Concept of Anxiety*. We'll explore how this temporal framework underpins his understanding of anxiety and selfhood. In the second seminar, we'll further develop Kierkegaard's account by bringing it into conversation with later phenomenological approaches to temporality—approaches that were significantly influenced by Kierkegaard's account. We'll try to get a clearer and more rigorous understanding of Kierkegaard's distinctiveness by examining how thinkers like Heidegger, Sartre, and Merleau-Ponty developed, transformed, and challenged Kierkegaard's categories.



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