

The Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy (SPEP) Policy on Satellite Groups

Due to the increased demand from other philosophical organizations to participate in the SPEP annual meeting, SPEP requires that each philosophical organization wishing to participate in SPEP's annual meeting apply for inclusion for that year. The deadline for the submission of applications for the 2009 meeting is: **April 1, 2009**. Please note that the application must be submitted to the SPEP Executive Committee (**via email attachment to the SPEP Secretary-Treasurer**) each year. The email address is shannonspep@gmail.com.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the application to be a SPEP satellite group. The criteria are *not* ranked in importance.

1. The length of the group's association with SPEP. The SPEP Executive Committee will consider the number of years the group has had a satellite session at the SPEP annual meeting.
2. The group's meeting schedule. The SPEP Executive Committee will consider the opportunities the group has to meet at other times during the year, aside from the satellite session at the SPEP annual meeting.
3. The group's primary area of investigation augmenting or enriching the SPEP annual meeting program. The SPEP Executive Committee will evaluate how the group's area of investigation complements the areas covered by the SPEP annual meeting program or, on the contrary, duplicates aspects of the SPEP program.
4. The group's attendance at the satellite session at the SPEP annual meeting. The SPEP Executive Committee will evaluate, on the basis of past attendance at the satellite group's session, the level of interest in this group's philosophical area to SPEP members. The attendance records for the satellite groups will be reviewed by the SPEP Executive Committee each year.