Prof. Dr. Heiner Klemme is among the foremost Kant scholars in Europe today, with influential publications on topics including Kant’s philosophy of the subject, Kant’s practical philosophy, and on a wide range of issues in 18th century British and German philosophy. He is currently Professor for the History of Philosophy at the Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg.

During his stay at Western, Prof. Klemme will be participating in two public events:

**Information Session on German Exchange Programs**

**Wed. Oct. 15, 10:00 - 11:00 am, StH 1145**

This session, intended for Arts and Humanities graduate students, will allow students to ask questions of a panel regarding exchange opportunities in Germany, including the DAAD and the Ontario-Baden-Württemberg Exchange.

**A Public Talk:**

**Kant and Garve: Between Metaphysics and Popular Philosophy**

**Fri. Oct. 17, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, StH 1145**

In their early careers, Kant and Garve belonged to a group of young philosophers trying to overcome Wolffian Philosophy from within that tradition. Some of them, like Garve and Sulzer, became so-called “popular” philosophers. Kant, however, did not as he was convinced that we can improve our moral striving through elaborating a Metaphysics of Morals, at the center of which was the pure concept of freedom. This paper discusses some aspects of the debate between Kant and Garve on the relationship between theory and practice, with particular attention to Garve’s conception of freedom and natural necessity as they are taken up late in Kant’s *Groundwork*.