2011-2012 Meetings

Unless otherwise stated, the seminar meets one Thursday evening a month during the academic year at Faculty House on the Columbia University east campus.

September 22
Intimacies of Antipathy: Johnson and Swift
Claude Rawson, Yale University

October 13
Hume’s Aesthetic Theory of Probability
Don Garrett, New York University

November 10
Climate, Time, and the Unsustainable Countryside in Jane Austen’s Mansfield Park
Robert Markley, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

December 15
Then and Now: Editing Smollett for the Twenty-First Century
Frank Felsenstein, Ball State University

January 19
Exchanging Religion: Solomon’s Temple, Holy Land Travel, and a Georgics of Sacred Space in Seventeenth- and Eighteenth-Century English Writing
Michael Rotenberg-Schwartz, New Jersey City University

February 16
Catherinian Chinoiserie: Oriental Enchantment in Enlightenment Russia
David Schimmelpenninck van der Oye, Brock University

March 8
Revolutionary Eyes: Edmund Burke and the Physiology of Conservatism
Richard Barney, State University of New York, Albany

April 19
Queer Love and Extraordinary Power: Reconstructing the Eighteenth-Century Prude
Wendy Lee, Yale University