

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY (2018-2019)

PHILOSOPHY 675 (Autumn): SEMINAR - CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN PHILOSOPHY

Tuesday: 11:30 - 13:30

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: The topic discussed this year will be "Philosophy of Technology" with Heidegger

The analysis of technology and its "global dominance" is certainly a central phenomenological component of Heidegger's later thought. His description of this complex phenomenon called technology, however, produces certain tensions that are frequently resolved through one-sided readings. Some commentators emphasize the critical component of his reflections (often making Heidegger out to be a progenitor of "green" philosophy or "deep ecology"). Other philosophers highlight the call for a new, non-technological type of thinking (here Heidegger is often transfigured into a type of "new age")