

Invitation to join a special workshop:

“Psychology of Religion in the 21st Century: Medicine, Materialism, and the Place for Impossible Stories”

with Prof. Dr. Jeffrey Kripal, Rice University, Houston TX (USA)

Saturday, 28 April 2018, 10:00 – 13:00 Uhr, Universität Bern, Unitobler

Location: F-006, Unitobler, Lerchenweg 36, 3000 Bern

→→→ Workshop program:

10:00 – 11:30 Prof. Dr. Jeffrey Kripal, Rice University (Texas,USA):
“Psychology of Religion in the 21st Century –
Looking Backwards and Forwards”

Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:15 Dr. Claudia Kohli Reichenbach (Universität Bern):
„Spirituality in Medicine – Contours of a Twisted Story”

→→→ Researchers’ Colloquium program:

14:00 -- 16:30 Invited doctoral and master’s theses students will make brief oral project presentations (English), followed by verbal feedback from Prof. Kripal.

Prof. Dr. Jeffrey Kripal is the J. Newton Rayzor Professor of Philosophy and Religious Thought, and the former chair of the Department of Religious Studies at Rice University in Houston, Texas. Kripal is a leading thinker and innovator in the field of the psychology of religion, particularly relating to the rise of the cognitive science of religion. With humor and provocative insights, Dr. Kripal discusses how scholars might hold materialist worldviews alongside the paradoxes of the “impossible stories” that arise in the course of spiritual care and religious community life.

REGISTER until 1. April 2018 with Dr. Katie Givens Kime (katharine.kime@theol.unibe.ch). Please indicate interest in morning workshop and/or afternoon research colloquium. Anyone wishing to present a project for colloquium should submit an abstract when registering. Project selection will be announced via email by 6. April. Program fee: CHF 50.- (no cost for students)