Syllabus

**Martin Heidegger and German Existentialism I:**

**(From “Being and Time”to the “Zollikon Seminars”**

**with Medard Boss on Existential Psychology**

**and “Daseinsanalysis”)**

(Prague Humanities Institute)

The task of this philosophy course will attempt to introduce students to Martin Heidegger and German existentialism. We will begin the first part of this course by introducing students to some of the basic celebrated themes reflected by the “early” Heidegger I period in “Being & Time” (1927), such as the existential analytic, everyday being-in-the-world, authentic and inauthentic existence, anxiety, freedom, temporality, historicity, and so-forth, in order to come to terms with the question of the meaning of Being in Heidegger’s early thinking. Moreover, in the second part of this course, we make a philosophical transition from “Being and Time” to Heidegger’s “Zollikon Seminars” (1959-1969) on existential psychology and daseinsanalysis in order to examine the application of Heidegger’s concept of Dasein to the field of psychiatry. This will be accomplished by turning directly to the works of Ludwig Binswanger and Medard Boss and evaluating their project for a “Daseinsanalytic” interpretation of man within the field of existential psychiatry.

**Required texts:**

**TO BE ANNOUNCED**