

Michael Polanyi, the Basics
Zoom Workshop on June 2 and 3, 2022

On June 2 and 3, 2022, there will be two Zoom sessions designed for anyone who is either now beginning to study Michael Polanyi's philosophy or wishes to know more about any of the material being focused upon in any of the four sessions. Anybody is welcome to any of the one-hour sessions (two each day, back-to-back), but the discussion will focus on generally useful basic information that should help someone interested in digging into reading Polanyi materials. In addition to an orientation on resources available for helping understand Polanyi's writing, there will be sessions commenting on three books, *Personal Knowledge*, *The Study of Man* and *The Tacit Dimension* as well as some shorter Polanyi essays.

To register, send Gus Breytspraak (gus.breytspraak@ottawa.edu) and Phil Mullins (mullins@missouriwestern.edu) an indication of your interest. Questions about this Zoom workshop are invited. A day or two before the sessions, registrants will be sent a Zoom link that will be good for any of the sessions.

Below are listed times for sessions, topics, discussion leaders for the sessions and any further information on specific sessions. Registrants will be provided (either via a link or an e-mail attachment) a set of short readings for each session. Some readings are already posted on the Polanyi Society website (polanyisociety.org) under the link for this Zoom workshop (or under the links below); other readings will be posted by the middle of May. Any new information on this workshop will also be posted on the Polanyi Society website.

--Thursday, June 2, 2022: 11 a.m. Central Standard Daylight-Saving Time--[Resources for Studying Polanyi](#)--Phil Mullins and Walt Gulick. Participants are invited to review the posted Polanyi resources outline before the session. This document can be scanned or topics of particular interest can be read careful. The outline discusses possibly helpful material under several categories. There are comments about introductions to Polanyi, important Polanyi texts, biographical information, historical/contextual resources, Polanyi journals and their archives, bibliographies, etc. There are many links in the posted document that can be explored in details at a later time, depending on one's particular interests. This is a general orientation session and there will be opportunities to ask questions and discuss matters such as what Polanyi text should one read first.

--Thursday, June 2, 2022: 12:10 p.m. Central Standard Daylight-Saving Time--[Some Prominent Themes in Personal Knowledge](#)--Jon Fennell. Participants will be invited to ponder some questions (e-mailed in advance) and to submit some questions. A set of short readings from *Personal Knowledge* will be provided.

Friday, June 3, 2022: 11 a.m. Central Standard Daylight-Saving Time--[Main ideas in Polanyi's Revolutionary Manifesto: The Tacit Dimension](#) --Charles Lowney

Friday, June 3, 2022: 12:10 p.m. Central Standard Daylight-Saving Time--[Polanyi and the Study of the Humanities](#)--Andrew Grosso. Discussion will focus on Polanyi's ["The Two Cultures"](#) and ["Science and Religion: Separate Dimensions or Common Ground"](#) with some comments on *The Study of Man*.