Leverhulme Philosophy Lectures

Prof. Martin will introduce one of the most exciting but least known periods in the history of logic. He will show that Peter Abelard revolutionised thinking about argument and inference, but that the logical theory which he developed contained a flaw the detection of which led to an extraordinary period of crisis for logicians.

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Inconvenient Consequences:
The Development of Logic in the Twelfth Century

Fri 20 January:  
The Beginnings of Medieval Logic

Fri 27 January:  
The Novelties of Peter Abelard

Fri 3 February:  
The Theory of Inference in Crisis

Fri 17 February:  
A Paradigm Shift in Paris

5.30-6.30 pm in Little Hall, Sidgwick Ave, Cambridge