



Círculo de Estudios Foucaultianos

II INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON MICHEL FOUCAULT 50 YEARS OF 'SURVEILLANCE AND PUNISHMENT'

November 25 and 26, 2025

Discipline and Punish: The Birth of the Prison (1976) by Michel Foucault, originally published as *Surveiller et punir* (1975), aims to link "history [*une histoire corrélative*]" with the modern spirit and a new power to judge." Through a historical retrospective and the punitive methods used against the body, Foucault exposes how discipline is shaped by submission. It is not simply a matter of studying past events, but of conducting a genealogy: investigating how, in this case, modes of repression have shaped the prison of the present.

Today, we see the development of more sophisticated forms of control exercised by governments and technology against citizens. The mechanisms for locating, identifying, and condemning are now more accessible and efficient. Man has ended up normalizing the injustices that turn him into a body that can be manipulated under the logic of power.

With the aim of delving deeper into this work beyond its time and analyzing it in light of current phenomena, we invite Foucauldian scholars to a space for reflection on the conjectures between the work and contemporary social reality. Suggested topics for the event include, but are not limited to:

- Biopolitics
- Governmentality
- Police and military violence against society
- Political demonstrations and repression
- Prison and confinement
- Punitive society
- Surveillance, control, and classification through technology

The event will take place on Tuesday, May 25, and Wednesday, May 26, virtually and in person, respectively. The in-person venue will be the auditorium of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities at the National University of San Marcos, and the virtual event will take place via the Meet platform.

Submission process and guidelines:

- All abstracts must be sent to circulofoucaultiano@gmail.com with the subject line "II Michel Foucault Colloquium."
- Abstracts must be between 300 words minimum and 600 words maximum.

- Abstracts must be submitted in Word format.
- The document must include the author's details (name, contact information, affiliation), and a brief academic biography of no more than 200 words must be attached.
- The presentation should not exceed 25 minutes.

Schedule:

Deadline for receipt: October 24

Notification of acceptance: November 3