

BRITISH LOGIC COLLOQUIUM

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The BLC is a charity registered in England & Wales. It exists to support, promote, and foster the study of logic (especially, but not exclusively, formal and mathematical logic) in Britain. It embraces diverse aspects of logic, from the studies of traditional formal systems to the modern applications in computer science and linguistics, and encourages communication among related fields.

Activities

The BLC sponsors large international meetings (e.g. the annual ASL European meetings) held in Leeds (1997), Keele (1993), Hull (1986), Manchester (1984), Leeds (1979)); organizes smaller annual national meetings (e.g. Birmingham (2002), St Andrews (2003), Leeds (2004), Bristol (2005), Oxford (2006)); supports occasional other meetings organized by various groups of logicians; and from time to time supports visits by logicians, both established scholars and research students. Applicants for BLC support for such meetings or visits should consult the appropriate guidelines on the BLC website.

A BLC page is maintained on the World Wide Web, with links to activities in logic worldwide.

The BLC has three representatives on the British National Committee for Logic, Methodology & Philosophy of Science, the national body responsible for communication with the Division of Logic, Methodology & Philosophy of Science of the International Union of History & Philosophy of Science. The BLC is also an institutional member of the British Philosophical Association.

History

The BLC grew out of fairly regular meetings of British logicians, first organized by Professor A. N. Prior in the 1950s. The first steps towards formal organization were taken at a meeting in Leicester in 1965. The BLC was formally constituted in 1977, and registered as a charity in 1978. Dr Robin Gandy was the first President, and was succeeded by Professors John Shepherdson, Wilfrid Hodges and Stan Wainer.

Membership

The annual subscription (free for PhD students) is 5 pounds p.a. payable to the BLC. Membership application forms are available at the BLC web site.

BLC members are entitled to 20% discount on many logic books from OUP, e.g. the *Oxford Logic Guides*, and to a 70% discount on the journal *History & Philosophy of Logic*. The BLC distributes a monthly newsletter to members by electronic mail, giving information about forthcoming meetings and conferences, and other news of interest to logicians.

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