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– CALL FOR PAPERS –

**Thomas More's  
CORRESPONDENCE:  
Literary, Educational, & Civic Friendships**

**Thursday-Saturday, 6-8 November 2025**

**Call for Papers:** You are invited to submit short position papers on any aspect of Thomas More's *Correspondence*. Papers exploring literary, philosophical, historical, political, theological, rhetorical, legal, or cultural dimensions of More's *Correspondence* are welcome, as are papers exploring the intertextual play of More's sources, his rich ironies, and the dialectical thinking his work provokes in readers. Of special interest will be

- More's understanding in selected letters of liberty, education, virtue, counsel, writing and thinking, friendship, modes of correction, leading citizenship, conscience, piety, humanism, or tyranny.
- Significant patterns or issues in More's professional or business letters
- More's self-representation in his personal letters
- More's "ars poetica" in his Letter to Brixius or significant patterns or issues in his literary letters
- Rhetorical, linguistic, and stylistic issues
- More's mode of friendship as revealed in his writings
- More's economic and ecological interests
- The friendship between More and Erasmus

**Important:** For the conference and for the papers submitted, we ask that you use the letters in *The Essential Works of Thomas More* and the CTMS PDF of the 53 other letters by More as the common text (which we will send upon request).

N.B.: We welcome suggestions for translation corrections, needed notes and commentary.

Accepted papers will be distributed to the other members of your seminar group, and **each participant agrees to read the others' papers of your seminar group before** coming in November. The **maximum length** is ten double-spaced pages. Since we are using the seminar format, attendance is limited.

**Deadlines:**

- **Seminar paper abstracts** are due by **January 30, 2025**. Acceptances will be sent by **February 15, 2025**.  
Send these to: [morestudies@gmail.com](mailto:morestudies@gmail.com).
- **Completed papers** must be received by **August 15, 2025**.  
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