



# NEW FRONTIERS IN SOCIAL COGNITION

Interaction with other agents calls for a special kind of intelligence: social cognition. This type of intelligence is found in many branches of the animal kingdom, although in humans it has a strikingly distinct form. Indeed, human social cognition has been described as the key feature distinguishing us from other animals. But if this is the feature that sets us apart, we may not be alone for long: recent years have seen sudden (and sometimes scary) gains in the social cognition of artificial intelligence. This series of lectures examines the human capacity for understanding other agents, both in contrast to the capacities of other animals, and in the light of new research in deep learning and social robotics.



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**4:30 p.m.**  
**Event Space, Student Centre**  
Registration not required

**October 12**  
**Social cognition in  
nonhuman animals**

**October 13**  
**Social cognition in artificial  
intelligence**

**October 14**  
**Uniquely human social  
cognition?**