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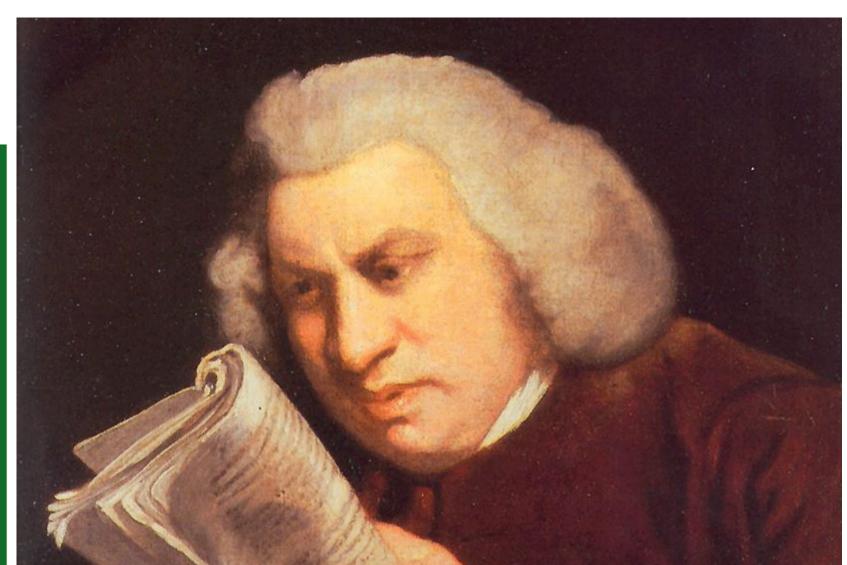
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An Endangered Species? The Polymath in the Age of Specialization

Public Lecture

20 February, 5.30-7.30 P.M.

Lecture Theatre A, University Place

Following the rise of specialization, including the division of universities into more and more faculties, departments and institutes from the mid-19th century on, one might have expected polymaths to disappear. On the contrary, the species has survived, indeed it continues to survive, despite the decline in the niches in which it makes it habitat. How has this survival been possible?

The lecture will be followed by a wine reception.