Foucault Reading Notes Project:

By proposing the digitization of Michel Foucault’s (1926-1984) reading notes kept at the Bibliothèque Nationale de France (BnF, Fonds Michel Foucault, Paris), the Foucault Fiches de Lecture (FFL) project – which has been funded from 2017 to 2020 by the French National Research Agency (ANR) – aims to develop an approach to Foucault’s work based on the analysis of the philosopher’s reading practices and thought processes.

This corpus is made of several thousand handwritten sheets containing a considerable collection of quotations and references organized and commented by Foucault in view of the preparation of his books, courses and lectures. Therefore, the aim of the FFL project is not only to make the philosopher’s sources accessible, but also to contribute to the elaboration of a philosophical hermeneutics, based on the analysis of Foucault’s documentary practices and work styles.

The FFL-EMAN platform (Édition de Manuscrits et d’Archives Numériques) has been settled for the consultation and research within the philosopher’s working documents, in order to allow the scientific community, as well as a larger public, to participate in this large-scale project headed by Michel Senellart and then Laurent Dartigues at the ENS de Lyon, in partnership with the BnF, and the Centre d’Archives en Philosophie, Histoire et Édition des Sciences (CAPHÉS) at the ENS-Paris.

Learn more about the FFL project:
<< https://ffl.hypotheses.org/presentation-du-projet >>
Consult Michel Foucault’s reading notes:
<< http://eman-archives.org/Foucault-fiches/ >>
FFL project in comics:
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