SYLLABUS

Books [available through Labyrinth Books]

Christine Korsgaard, *Self-Constitution: Agency, Identity, and Integrity*
Michael Thompson, *Life and Action: Elementary Structures of Practice and Practical Thought*
Paul Hurley, *Beyond Consequentialism*

January 12  Introduction: the context of recent debates on the foundations of ethics and normative ethical theory

  19  Korsgaard
  26  Korsgaard

February 2  Korsgaard

  9  Korsgaard
  16  Thompson
  23  Thompson

March 2  Thompson

  23  Thompson
  30  Hurley

April 6  Hurley

  13  Hurley
  20  Hurley

Those taking the course for credit will write 3 or 4 short discussions (due the Tuesday preceding the seminar on Wednesday evening) and a longer (3,000 to 5,000 words) essay (due by 11:59 pm on Monday, April 25. The paper can be on a topic of the student’s choosing, but topics should be cleared with me by April 15.)

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