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MW 1:40-3:00
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Philosophy 502

Texts

Martha Nussbaum, *Political Emotions* (Cambridge, 2013)
Robert Merrihew Adams, *A Theory of Virtue* (Oxford, 2006)
Robert Audi, *Moral Perception* (Princeton, 2013)
Katherine Boo, *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* (Random House, 2012)

Requirements

We will run this as a reading group, helping one another to get the most out of these books. I will ask you to take turns presenting on the material and write a term paper of some 20 pages. Our goal is to engage in careful readings of these texts and careful attention to our responses to them week by week. By the end of the term you should be in a position to develop a position on a topic in the readings that is of genuine concern to you.

Jan

M 27 Introductions
W 29 Nussbaum, chs. 1-2

Feb

M 3 Nussbaum, chs. 3-4
W 5 Nussbaum, chs. 5-6

M 10 Nussbaum, ch. 7; Boo, Prologue and ch. 1
W 12 Nussbaum, ch. 8; Boo, ch. 2

M 17 President's Day. No Class
W 19 Nussbaum, ch. 9; Boo, ch. 3

M 24 Nussbaum, ch. 10; Boo, ch. 4
W 26 Nussbaum, ch. 11; Boo, ch. 5

March

M 3 tba
W 5 Adams, chs. 1-2 [Clarke]; Boo, ch. 6

M 10 Adams, chs. 3-4; Boo, ch. 7
W 12 Adams, chs. 5-7; Boo, ch. 8

M 17 Adams, ch. 8; Boo, ch. 9
W 19 Adams, ch. 9; Boo, ch. 10

M 24 Adams, ch. 10 [Clarke]; Boo, ch. 11
W 26 **Workshop Paper Topics**

March 31-April 4 Spring Break

April

M 7 Adams, chs. 11-12
W 9 Audi, Intro and ch. 1; Boo, ch. 12

M 14 Audi, ch. 2; Boo, ch. 13
W 16 Audi, ch. 3; Boo, ch. 14

M 21 Audi, ch. 4; Boo, ch. 15
W 23 Audi, ch. 5; Boo, ch. 16

M 28 Audi, ch. 6; Boo, ch. 17
W 30 **Paper Meetings**

May

M 5 Audi, ch. 7
W 7 **Workshop Papers**

Term papers due by Friday May 16.