



**Australian
National
University**

SETH LAZAR
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY AND
HEAD OF SCHOOL
School of Philosophy
Research School of Social Sciences
Coombs Building
The Australian National University
Canberra ACT 0200
AUSTRALIA
office +61-2-6125-8995
email seth.lazar@anu.edu.au



THOMAS SCHMIDT
LEHRSTUHL FÜR PRAKTISCHE
PHILOSOPHIE/ETHIK
Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
Department of Philosophy
Unter den Linden 6
10099 Berlin
GERMANY
office +49-30-2093-2763
home +49-30-24781570
email t.schmidt@philosophie.hu-berlin.de



MICHAEL SMITH *FAHA FASSA FAAAAS*
MCCOSH PROFESSOR OF PHILOSOPHY
Princeton University
Department of Philosophy
1879 Hall
Princeton, New Jersey 08544-1006
USA
office +1-609-258-4306
cell/mobile +1-609-651-1836
email msmith@princeton.edu

Summer Institute on *Practical Normativity: Morality* Canberra, 2-16 July 2019

Call for Applications

OVERVIEW

Practical Normativity: Morality is the second of three Summer Institutes taking place at Princeton (2018), at ANU (2019), and at Humboldt University Berlin (2020), funded by grants from the Princeton-Humboldt Strategic Partnership and the Australian National University.

These Summer Institutes bring together faculty and students from all three participating institutions. They cover problems in the general area of practical normativity, where this area includes, but is not limited to, questions about the nature of reasons; about how we are to distinguish between moral and non-moral reasons; about how conflicts between moral and non-moral reasons are to be adjudicated; about the substance of moral requirements; about the substance and scope of requirements of rationality; and about the relationship between reasons, requirements of rationality, and moral requirements.

Practical Normativity: Morality will take place on the ANU campus 2-16 July 2019 (with a break 7-11 July, details on this below). Participation will be by application.

PARTICIPANTS AND FUNDING

There are places for up to six students from ANU, six from Humboldt, six from Princeton, and three further places for female philosophy PhD students either from or studying in Australasia (broadly understood). All students accepted are expected to attend the entire Summer Institute. Those eligible to apply will be either MA or PhD students, or, in exceptional circumstances, undergraduates. Those eligible to apply from Humboldt will additionally be HU students of 'Philosophie' or 'Philosophie/Ethik', or will hold a position or fellowship in the HU philosophy department.

For ANU students, participation in the Summer Institute will count towards PHIL8011 *Foundations*. For HU students, participation will count as having attended a 'Hauptseminar'. For students from Princeton, participation will count as taking a PHI 500 level course.

All students will have their travel and accommodation costs fully covered and will have their meals subsidized. There will be a number of meals for all participants and the cost of these will also be fully covered.

STRUCTURE

The Summer Institute will be convened by Seth Lazar (ANU), Thomas Schmidt (Humboldt), and Michael Smith (Princeton). A number of other ANU and Princeton faculty will present one-off sessions.

The aim is to have the Summer Institute focused on topics and readings that are of most interest to the participating students and faculty. The program will be divided between literature reviews; student presentations on literature; student presentations of their own research; faculty presentations of their own research; mentoring sessions; and one-on-one meetings.

After a welcome event in the evening on Monday 1 July, there will be two full five-day academic programs (Tuesday 2 July– Saturday 6 July, and Friday 12 July–Tuesday 16 July) with a break of five days in between (Sunday 7 July–Thursday 11 July). The schedule will be as follows:

Monday 1 July 2019	WELCOME EVENT IN THE EVENING
Tuesday 2 July 2019	DAY #1
Wednesday 3 July 2019	DAY #2
Thursday 4 July 2019	DAY #3
Friday 5 July 2019	DAY #4 ONE-ON-ONE STUDENT-FACULTY MEETINGS
Saturday 6 July 2019	DAY #5
7-11 July 2019	BREAK
Friday 12 July 2019	DAY #6
Saturday 13 July 2019	DAY #7
Sunday 14 July 2019	DAY #8
Monday 15 July 2019	DAY #9 ONE-ON-ONE STUDENT-FACULTY MEETINGS
Tuesday 16 July 2019	DAY #10
Wednesday 17 July 2019	STUDENTS FREE TO DEPART

The Summer Institute is timed so that the BREAK coincides with the annual Australasian Association of Philosophy Conference at the University of Wollongong. Wollongong is a pleasant two-hour drive from Canberra. Students from HU and Princeton attending the Summer Institute who would like to attend and/or give a paper at the AAP will have their costs covered, but will need to make their own arrangements. Information about the AAP will become available in due course on the AAP website: <https://aap.org.au/>

Immediately after the Summer Institute, on Wednesday 17 July, there will be a workshop on Frances Kamm's work at ANU. On Friday 19 July, Frances Kamm will give the Jack Smart Lecture at ANU. Students who wish to stay on at ANU to attend these and other events may do so at their own expense.

APPLICATIONS

Applicants must submit: (a) a proposal – half a page single spaced maximum – for a talk about any aspect of *Morality* that they would be willing to present if selected; (b) the titles and publication details of 3-4 important papers on any aspect of *Morality* from the current literature about which they would be willing to give a presentation; (c) a letter of motivation – one page single spaced maximum – describing their background and interest in the topic and explaining how they would expect to profit, with regard to their own interests, from participating in the Summer Institute.

These materials must be submitted by email to all three convenors: Seth Lazar, Thomas Schmidt, and Michael Smith. Their email addresses can be found in the letterhead.

On the basis of these proposals, and after consultation with all participating faculty from the three institutions, students will be chosen to participate in the Summer Institute, and a detailed program will be put together. The program will reflect the specific research interests of participating students and faculty.