Colorado Summer Seminar in Philosophy Values July 2006

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Readings

Readings for the seminar will be available through the class web page, at http://spot.colorado.edu/~pasnau/seminar

Schedule

Week One July 10: Kinds of value (Oddie) AM July 11-12: How we know value, and how it motivates us (Huemer) PM July 13: Values and desire (Oddie) AM July 14: Error theories of value (Tooley) PM

Week Two July 17: Ancient theories of value (Lee) PM July 18-19: Free will, persons, & value (R. Hanna) PM July 20-21: Aesthetic value (Fisher) AM

Week Three July 24: The evil of death (Bradley) AM July 25: The objectivity of value (Heathwood) AM July 26: The meaning of life (Heathwood) AM July 27: Family values (Mills) AM July 28: Conclusion (Pasnau) AM

All AM classes meet from 9-12; all PM classes meet from 2-5; all classes meet in Hellems 269. Each weekday, at a time to be announced, Jason Hanna, will lead an optional discussion session.

Course Work

Two five-page papers will be required: the first on Monday, July 17th, the second on Monday, July 24th. The assignment for each is the same: *Pick something you have read or heard over the previous week, and argue for why it is wrong.* In addition, to receive credit for the course, you must submit electronically by August 31st a term paper, which may be an expanded and revised version of one of the two short papers.

The heart and soul of this seminar will be neither reading nor writing (the bulk of which you should do before you come and after you leave town), but rather thinking and talking about philosophy, during and between seminar meetings. We will expect you to participate actively in the seminar, and we will urge you to hang out between meetings with your fellow seminarians, talking about philosophy, art, life, politics, whatever.