

Ethics Institute Newsletter

Ethics Brown Bags

The Institute of Ethics invites students, staff, and faculty to a Brown Bag series featuring members of the Adrian College faculty.

The purpose of the brown bags is to introduce the AC community to the voices, theories, and applications of ethics in specific fields and to begin a campus-wide discussion of ethics and its relation to various academic disciplines and professional fields.

The sessions will include a presentation with substantial time for Q&A.

Dr. James Spence will kick off the series on September 24 with a general introduction to the questions and problems in ethics. His presentation is entitled,

“Ethics, Morality, Codes, and Law: Essential Distinctions”.

The series continues on Thursday, October 22, with Dr. Tony Coumoundouros speaking on “Big Names, Big Ideas: A Very Short History of Ethics.”

Dr. Sheri Bleam will speak on ethics in professional communications on Thursday, November 5 in a presentation entitled “Casuistry Comes Home to Roost.”

The fall semester series concludes on Tuesday, December 1 with Dr. Fritz Detwiler presenting on “Ethical Problems of Teaching Cross-Cultural Courses”



Dr. James Spence, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy and Religion

Spring speakers include Prof. Bill Bachman, Dr. Nathan Goetting, Rev. Dr. Chris Momany, and Dr. Melissa Stewart.

Sessions are in Knight Auditorium and they will begin at 12:10 and end at 12:45.

Brown Bag Schedule:

- Sept. 24, Dr. James Spence
- Oct. 22, Dr. Tony Coumoundouros
- Nov. 5, Dr. Sheri Bleam
- Dec. 1, Dr. Fritz Detwiler
- Jan. 28, Prof. Bill Bachman
- Feb. 25, Dr. Nathan Goetting
- Mar. 18, Rev. Dr. Chris Momany
- Apr. 22, Dr. Melissa Stewart

Times and Location:

- Knight Auditorium, Valade Hall
- 12:10–12:45. Twenty-minute presentations . Fifteen minute Q&A.

Ethics Film Series

The Institute of Ethics announces a feature film series on ethical problems. Dr. Scott Elliott is coordinating the program. Following the films there will be time set aside for discussion led by an AC faculty member.

Although the list is not yet set, the following films most likely will be included: Hotel

Rwanda, The Insider, Changing Lanes, V for Vendetta, Alive. Faculty from appropriate disciplines and staff from all areas of the college are encouraged to add their expertise to the discussions.

The films will be shown in Knight Auditorium on selected Monday nights

monthly beginning October 19.

The dates for the rest of the films are November 16, February 15, March 15, and April 19.

Faculty, staff, and students wishing to nominate films should contact Dr. Scott Elliott at selliott@adrian.edu.

