Philosophical Dimensions of Human Rights

Some Contemporary Views

Contents


Fields of interests

Philosophy of Law; Political Science; European Law/Public International Law

Target groups

Research

Product Category

Contributed volume

Bioethics Critically Reconsidered

Having Second Thoughts

Bioethics developed as an academic and clinical discipline during the later part of the 20th century due to a variety of factors.

Features

- Focuses on the role of social/political ideology in the development of bioethics
- Has as its focus a retrospective on the ideological foundations of bioethics as a discipline
- Offers a variety of perspectives on the role that ideology plays in the discipline of bioethics
- Shows how the ideology of bioethics is both secularism and paternalism

Contents


Fields of interests

Ethics; Theory of Medicine/Bioethics

Target groups

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Product Category

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2012. X, 194 p. (Philosophy and Medicine, Volume 100) Hardcover
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ISBN 978-94-007-2243-9

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Early Stoic Epistemology

This book looks at the epistemological views and arguments of the early Stoics, in particular those of Chrysippus (3rd century BC), the third head of the Stoic school. It discusses such issues as the manner in which we perceive things and come to have notions of them, the reliability of arguments, the nature and variety of cognitive errors, and the possibility and nature of knowledge. Unlike most recent works on the subject, the aim of this book is to give a comprehensive account of Stoic epistemology as a whole as it was developed by Chrysippus. The emphasis lies – more than usual – on how the epistemological views of the Stoics are interrelated, not only among themselves, but also with views belonging to their physics and logic.

Features

- The first comprehensive modern study of Stoic epistemology, which greatly influenced e.g. Descartes
- Builds on and critically assesses the latest research on the subject
- Gives access to issues that, because of poor source material, are not easily accessible to even advanced students and specialists

Contents


Fields of interests

Epistemology; History of Philosophy; Philosophy of Mind

Target groups

Research

Product Category

Monograph
Interpreting Physics
Language and the Classical/Quantum Divide

This book is the first to offer a systematic account of the role of language in the development and interpretation of physics. An historical-conceptual analysis of the co-evolution of mathematical and physical concepts leads to the classical/quantum interface. Bohrian orthodoxy stresses the indispensability of classical concepts and the functional role of mathematics. This book analyzes ways of extending, and then going beyond this orthodoxy orthodoxy. Finally, the book analyzes how a revised interpretation of physics impacts on basic philosophical issues: conceptual revolutions, realism, and reductionism.

Features
- This is the only systematic treatment of the role of language in the interpretation of physics
- The interpretation of quantum mechanics accommodates current advances in quantum field theory
- This book breaches the separation between analysis and philosophy of science
- This book is the final outcome of many years of work on the philosophy of physics

Contents

Fields of interests
Philosophy of Science; Physics, general; History of Science

Target groups
Research

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Monograph

ISBN 978-94-007-2368-9

Moses Mendelssohn’s Metaphysics and Aesthetics

Contents

Fields of interests
History of Philosophy; Languages and Literature; Aesthetics

Target groups
Research

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Monograph

ISBN 978-94-007-2450-1

The Development of Quine’s Philosophy

This book covers W. V. Quine’s philosophic career from his early radical empiricism and behaviorism through his development of a series of skeptical doctrines regarding meaning, reference, and science. It shows what problems he tried to solve and what his solutions were. Result has been a series of highly controversial claims that have won him international fame. His work is still a center of controversy and has lead to an enormous literature of commentary.

Features
- Presents an overview of Quine’s entire career and philosophical development
- Highlights that Quine belongs in the tradition of the Vienna circle whose doctrines are undergoing a revival of interest at the present time
- Casts an interesting light on the debate over analyticity and the consequent problems raised in the philosophy of logic and mathematics

Contents
Introduction Chapter I. Logic and Philosophy Chapter II. Semantics and Ontology Chapter III. From Word and Object to The Roots of Reference Chapter IV. Last Revisions Chapter V. Conclusion Appendix Notes

Fields of interests
Philosophy (general); History; History of Philosophy

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph


E. MacKinnon, California State University East Bay, CA, USA

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The Development of Quine’s Philosophy

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Vitalism and the Scientific Image in Post-Enlightenment Life Science, 1800-2010

Contents


Philosophy of Biology; Systems Biology; Medicine/ Public Health, general

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Philosophy of Behavioral Biology

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Philosophy of Biology; Philosophy of Science; Behavioural Sciences

Target groups

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Handbook of Analytic Philosophy of Medicine

Contents

Fields of interests
Philosophy of Medicine; Medicine/Public Health, general; Computational Biology/Bioinformatics

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Handbook

Radioactive Waste
Technical and Normative Aspects of its Disposal

Radioactive waste (above all highly radioactive wastes from nuclear installations) caused by research, medicine and technology must be disposed of safely. However both the strategies disputed for the disposal of radioactive waste as well as concrete proposals for choosing a location for final waste disposal are highly debatable. An appropriate disposal must conform to both complex, technical requirements and fulfill the radio-biological conditions to appropriately protect man and nature. Ethical, legal and social conditions must also be considered.

Features
► Provides an up-to-date informative basis to a highly controversial topic  ► Interdisciplinary approach: technical, biological, and political  ► Comprehensive description of technical concepts and the legal situation in different countries

Contents
Executive Summary and Recommendations.- Technical and Normative Foundations.- Annex and Apparatus.-

Fields of interests
Ethics; Waste Management/Waste Technology; Nuclear Engineering

Target groups
Research

Product Category
Monograph

Between Logic and Reality
Modeling Inference, Action and Understanding

Contents

Fields of interest
Logic

Target groups
Research

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Contributed volume
**Philosophy**

**A. Tymieniecka,** World Phenomenology Institute, Hanover, NH, USA

**The Fullness of the Logos in the Key of Life**

*Book II. Christo-Logos: Metaphysical Rhapsodies of Faith (Itinerarium mentis in deo)*

This highly personal account of a lifetime's spiritual and philosophical enquiry charts the author's journey of faith through contemporary culture.

**Features**

- Offers the fruits of life-long meditation; a philosophical witness detailing a spiritual journey in contemporary culture
- Explains how the rhapsodic mode mediates all spheres of reality, from incarnation to the transnatural destiny of the soul, elevating them into a sacramal meditation

**Contents**

Preface.- Pro-logos.- Pars I.- A period of preparation for faith the first sermon of timothy the dispossessed: the quest.- Pars II.- Glimmerings.- The second sermon of timothy the dispossessed: does god speak to the soul?.- Pars III.- The window upon the absolute.- Pars IV.- Opening the window to the absolute.- Pars V.- Retracing our steps to the cave, illuminating it.- Pars VI.- In the pursuit of truth.- Pars VII.- Embodiment: our inward drama situated within the world of life, nature, and the cosmos the third sermon of timothy;-. The mystery of incarnationpars.- Pars VIII.- The constitutive archetypes: the image of god emerging from incarnation to the transnatural destiny of the soul, elevating them into a sacramal meditation

**Fields of interests**

Philosophy of Religion; Classical Philosophy; Metaphysics

**Target groups**

Research

**Product Category**

Monograph

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**G. van der Schyff,** Tilburg University, The Netherlands

**Judicial Review of Legislation**

*A Comparative Study of the United Kingdom, the Netherlands and South Africa*

Constitutionalism is the permanent quest to control state power, of which the judicial review of legislation is a prime example. Although the judicial review of legislation is increasingly common in modern societies, it is not a finished project. This device still raises questions as to whether judicial review is justified, and how it may be structured. Yet, judicial review’s justification and its scope are seldom addressed in the same study, thereby making for an inconvenient divorce of these two related avenues of study. To narrow the divide, the object of this work is quite straightforward: Namely, is the idea of judicial review defensible, and what influences its design and scope?

**Features**

- The most extensive study of the recent attempts to allow the constitutional review
- The first study to compare the United Kingdom, the Netherlands and South Africa
- Links the justification of constitutional review with shaping the scope of such review

**Contents**

Foreword.- Acknowledgement.- Chapter 1 Setting the scene.- Chapter 2 Three systems of judicial review.- Chapter 3 Judicial review and democracy.- Chapter 4 For a of review.- Chapter 5 Modalities of review.- Chapter 6 Content of review.- Chapter 7 Consequences of review.- Chapter 8 Constitutionlalism personified.- Bibliography.

**Fields of interests**

Philosophy of Law; International & Foreign Law/ Comparative Law; Public Law

**Target groups**

Research

**Product Category**

Monograph

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**H. Wautischer,** California State University at Sonoma, Cotati, CA, USA; **A. M. Olson,** Boston University, MA, USA; **G. J. Walters,** Saint Paul University, Ottawa, ON, Canada (Eds)

**Philosophical Faith and the Future of Humanity**


**Fields of interests**

Ethics; Philosophy of Religion; History of Philosophy

**Target groups**

Research

**Product Category**

Contributed volume
M. Winter, University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN, USA

**Rethinking Virtue Ethics**

Rethinking Virtue Ethics offers a model of Aristotelian virtue ethics based on a deductive paradigm. This book argues that, contrary to what many contemporary thinkers are inclined to believe, Aristotelian virtue ethics is consistent with at least some action-guiding moral principles being true unconditionally, and that a justification for general moral principles can be grounded in fundamental concepts within Aristotle's theory. An analysis of ethical propositions that hold for the most part is proposed that fits well within the deductive paradigm developed. This unique interpretation of virtue ethics has implications for recent discussions of the virtues in social psychology, issues about how fundamental moral principles are known, questions about the justification of inalienable rights, debates about moral particularism and generalism, and discussions of moral realism and anti-realism.

**Features**
- Offers an original and unique contribution to a vibrant discussion in contemporary philosophy
- Provides a basis for seeing how to make a philosophical case for inalienable rights
- Explains how unconditional ethical principles are consistent with a virtue based approach to ethics
- Addresses some of the main challenges and objections to virtue ethics in contemporary literature

**Fields of interests**
Ethics; Personality and Social Psychology

**Target groups**
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