

#### Students Taking the Ethics Comprehensive Exam:

The following pages is the bibliography for the comprehensive exam in Ethics. It is 1500 pages long at 425 words per page. Two of the readings (Sartre and Capron) are not available in Marriott Library, but may be obtained from the philosophy department directly (OSH 341). All other readings can be found in the library using UNIS (for books) and The Philosopher's Index (for articles). Many of the articles have been anthologized. <http://www.lib.utah.edu>

Appended to the bibliography is a list of readings contained in bibliography for the comprehensive exam in History of Philosophy. Students taking the Ethics comprehensive will be expected to be familiar with the material on that list. No questions will be included on the exam that ask specifically about the authors on that list, but an understanding of those authors' views is necessary to answer adequately questions on certain topics. (For example, a question on utilitarianism would require familiarity with Mill's moral philosophy.)

Ethical Theory and Meta-Ethics:

Ayer, Language, Truth and Logic, Ch. 6, first half: "Critique of Ethics"

Baier, "What Do Women Want in a Moral Theory?"

Brandt, "Towards a Credible Form of Utilitarianism"

Firth, "Ethical Absolutism and the Ideal Observer"

Foot, "Morality as a System of Hypothetical Imperatives"

Frankena, "The Naturalistic Fallacy"

Frye, "Oppression" in The Politics of Reality

Gauthier, "Morality and Advantage"

Gilligan, In A Different Voice, Ch. 2

Hare, Moral Thinking, Chs. 1-3

Harmon, "Moral Relativism Defended"

Lyons, Forms and Limits of Utilitarianism, Chs. 1-4

Mackie, Ethics: Inventions Right and Wrong, Ch. 1

Moore, Principia Ethica, Chs. 1 & 5

Nagel, The View From Nowhere, Chs. 8 & 9

Nozick, Anarchy, State and Utopia, Ch. 7

Prichard, "Does Moral Philosophy Rest on a Mistake?"

Railton, "Moral Realism"

Rawls, A Theory of Justice, Secs. 1-9, 11-17, 20-30, 39, 47-48, 77, 82

Rawls, "Two Concepts of Rules"

Ross, "What Makes Right Acts Right?"

Sartre, "Existentialism is a Humanism" (excerpt available in Phil. Dept)

Searle, "How to Derive an 'Ought' From an 'Is'"

Sidgwick, The Methods of Ethics, Bk I: IX, XIII; Bk IV: I-III, V,  
Concluding Chapter

Smart, "Extreme and Restricted Utilitarianism"

Stevenson, "The Emotive Meaning of Ethical Terms"

Urmson, "Saints and Heroes"

Williams, "Persons, Character and Morality"

Williams, Utilitarianism: For and Against, pp. 93-118

Applied Ethics:

Brock, "Voluntary Active Euthanasia"

Capron, "Informed Consent in Catastrophic Disease and Treatment", pp. 364-76  
(excerpt available in Phil. Dept)

Carr, "Is Business Bluffing Ethical?"

Daniels, Just Health Care, Chs. 2,3,5

Friedman, "The Social Responsibility of Business"

G. Dworkin, "Paternalism"

Hardin, "The Tragedy of the Commons"

Katz, The Silent World of Doctor and Patient, Ch. 1

Leopold, "The Land Ethic"

Purdy, "Is Having Children Immoral?"

Quill, "The Ambiguity of Clinical Intentions"

Rachels, "Active and Passive Euthanasia"

Sagoff, "The Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima"

Singer, "Famine, Affluence and Morality"

Thomson, "A Defense of Abortion"

Tooley, "Abortion and Infanticide"

Wasserstrom, "Lawyers as Professionals: Some Moral Issues"

Wertheimer, "Understanding the Abortion Argument"

## History of Ethics

You will be expected to be knowledgeable about the following selections from the History of Philosophy Comprehensive Exam Bibliography:

### Plato, The Republic

Book I  
Book II, 357a-369a  
Book IV, 427d-436b; 439c-445e  
Book V, 475c-480a  
Book VI-VII, 504a-512b  
Book IX, 576c-592b

### Aristotle, Nichomachean Ethics

Book I, secs 1-8  
Book II  
Book III, secs 6-12  
Book V  
Book VI, secs 5-13  
Book VII, secs 1-9  
Book X, secs 1-8

### Aquinas, Summa Theologica

Part I-II Questions 90, 91 art. 1-5, 92-94, 95 art. 1-2, 96

### Hobbes, Leviathan

Chapters XIII-XVIII

### Butler, Five Sermons, Preface, Sermons I-V

### Hume, A Treatise of Human Nature, Book II, Part III, Sec. III

Book III. Part I, Secs. I-11; Part II, Secs. I-II  
Enquiry Concerning the Principles of Morals, Ch. V

### Kant, Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals

### Hegel, The Phenomenology of Spirit, Part B, Chapter IV, Section A

### Marx, The Economic and Philosophic Manuscripts of 1844, "Estranged Labor"

### Mill, Utilitarianism, Chs. I-II, IV-V

### Nietzsche, Beyond Good and Evil, Part I: chs. 6-9, 16-44, 186-213, 257-62