

Special Issue: AI and Public Philosophy

The Public Philosophy Journal invites contributions for a special issue focused on AI and public philosophy.

The rapid evolution of artificial intelligence (AI) is reshaping human interaction, governance, and decision-making, presenting both profound challenges and tremendous opportunity. As an emerging technology, AI raises a range of considerations related to public understandings of, and engagement with, AI. In particular, the rapid uptake of AI raises questions about public understandings of AI, what AI means for us as a public community, and how AI is engaged with and understood by various publics.

AI profoundly affects social and political life by shaping interactions, governance, and civic engagement. We as a society must consider how to engage with AI ethically, whether through conscious consumption, advocating for responsible AI policies, or ensuring AI aligns with human values.

AI also engages with larger philosophical considerations that impact public discourse, engagement, and our collective sense of community, raising questions regarding how we frame and understand AI technology, as well as the implications of AI for public discourse, public engagement, and sense of public good. These uncertainties impact public discourse, engagement, and our collective sense of community, raising fundamental questions about representation, belonging, and the ethical implications of AI for the public good.

To this end, the *PPJ* invites contributions situated at this nexus of technology and community engagement considerations.

Potential considerations include AI's impact:

- On public discourse;
- On social and political life;
- On the environment;
- Ethics of integration of AI into daily life;
- Ethical usage of AI;

- How we might personally engage with AI ethically;
- Research ethics and norms;
- On publication and writing norms
- Questions regarding framing and understanding of AI technology, including:
 - What happens when technology extends beyond our grasp?
 - What are the implications of this for public discourse, public engagement, sense of public good, or community?
 - What does AI mean for us as a public community? And for various publics?

Broader topics of consideration include questions surrounding community, representation and belonging, public discourse, and ethics regarding AI writ large.

Submitted papers should be around 3,000 words, not including the list of references. Please reach out if specific questions about length arise. Papers should include abstracts of about 100-150 words.

Paper submissions or proposals are due by **May 15th, 2025**. Earlier submissions are encouraged and will begin to undergo the editorial process as soon as they are received. Submissions should be directed to the *Public Philosophy Journal's* [submission form](#).

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