

Suffering and Virtue

Graduate Workshop on Michael Brady's
Suffering and Virtue (Oxford UP, 2018)

Thursday September 5th

Humanities Instructional Building, room 55
Everyone welcome



12.30-1pm Coffee/tea.

1-3pm Symposium on Michael Brady's *Suffering and Virtue* (Oxford UP, 2018).

Michael Brady (Glasgow), 'Precis of *Suffering and Virtue*'.

Josh Dolin (UC Irvine), 'Suffering: The Vice of Eliminating It and the Problem with Desiring It'.

Rena Goldstein (UC Irvine), 'Overcoming Suffering: Nietzsche and the Virtues'.

Nicholas Smith (UC Irvine), 'Problems in Defining Suffering'.

Darby Vickers (UC Irvine), 'Self-Protection and Self-Reflection: Suffering, Education, and Intellectual Virtue'.

Michael Brady (Glasgow), 'Response to Commentators'.

3-3.30pm Coffee/tea.

3.30-5pm Michael Brady (Glasgow)
'Suffering for Sport.'

ABSTRACT. In the final chapter of *Suffering and Virtue* I present various ways in which suffering can have communicative value. In this paper I want to expand on the ideas there to explain a puzzling phenomenon—that participants and spectators willingly and intentionally pursue suffering in engaging in sporting activities. For many people, suffering seems a condition on the value of playing in and watching sport. I'll investigate why this is so.

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