

UT, Knoxville PGSA Presents:

The Relationship Between Science and Ethics

March 13-14, 2021

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Philosophy Graduate Student Association at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville invites abstracts from graduate students and post-doctoral scholars in philosophy and other relevant disciplines for its fourth annual conference, "The Relationship Between Science and Ethics," to be held virtually on March 13-14, 2021. We are thrilled that Dr. Heather Douglas, Associate Professor of Michigan State University, is joining us as this year's keynote speaker!

Submissions may engage with any aspect of the intersection between philosophy of science and moral, social, and political philosophy. Some possible questions to engage with might include:

- What are people's responsibilities for engagement in data that they aren't experts in?
- To what extent should scientific research be done with social issues in mind?
- How do we balance our responsibilities to fight injustice collectively (e.g. by participating in Black Lives Matter protests) with our seemingly competing individual responsibility to mitigate the spread of a pandemic?
- How do we balance tensions between educational and economic imperatives and ensuring the pandemic doesn't worsen?
- Other suitable topics might include: environmental ethics (global warming and anthropo-, eco-, sentio-, or bio-centric views of ethics); comparative anthropology; the comparative evolutionary biology of primates; applied ethics in the medical field; neurobiological research into the basis of moral judgment; game-theoretical modelling; and the politicization of science.

Abstracts of 500-750 words should be formatted for blind review and submitted via email to utkphilgradconference@gmail.com by January 15, 2021. Please include your name, contact information, and disciplinary/institutional affiliation in the body of your email.

Accepted presenters will be notified in early February. Full papers should be prepared for thirty-minute presentations. For more information, visit our website tiny.utk.edu/pgsaconference, check us out on PhilEvents, or email us at utkphilgradconference@gmail.com!