

# First Annual UMSL Philosophy & Activism Workshop

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Workshop location: 44 Arnold B Grobman Drive, St. Louis, MO 63121

Keynote speakers: [Helen De Cruz](#) (St. Louis University) & [Hallie Liberto](#) (Maryland)

We invite abstracts of 500-2000 words. Abstracts will be considered on a rolling basis until **April 15**. Submit abstracts to the organizers: Jill Delston ([delstonj@umsystem.edu](mailto:delstonj@umsystem.edu)) and David Killoren ([david.j.killoren@gmail.com](mailto:david.j.killoren@gmail.com)). Sessions will be 50 minutes. Plan to speak for 20-30 minutes.



The workshop will occur in person (knock on wood).

We aim for a diverse lineup of papers and topics. Acceptable topics include conceptual questions (e.g., "What do various forms of activism such as civil disobedience, boycotting, and street protests have in common? In virtue of what do they all count as activism?"), ethical questions (e.g., "When is activism acceptable, obligatory, or immoral? Should any forms of activism be legally discouraged?"), historical questions (e.g., about specific instances of activism in history), and interpretive questions (e.g., you might try to extract or refine a view of activism from Kant or Mill or Arendt, etc.), among many other possibilities.



There will be a roundtable discussion on **structural injustices in the philosophy profession**. Abstracts intended either for this roundtable or for the regular program are fully welcome.

We'll have **two paper prizes**: a \$250 prize for the best paper by a graduate student, and a \$250 prize for best faculty paper.

