

## Reading List for the 2017-18 Theory Exam – Ethics & Public Affairs Ph.D. Program

The EPAF Ph.D. program has two mandatory examinations. Both can be regarded as ‘qualifying exams’, qualifying students to move on to the thesis stage.

The **Area Exam** includes literature surrounding a student’s doctoral research, and the reading list for this exam is designed collaboratively between each student and that student’s supervisors.

The **Theory Exam** is based on a single reading list for all students taking the exam in a given year. The exam asks them to demonstrate knowledge of (a) alternative approaches to public reason, ethical theory, and social/political philosophy, along with (b) insight into their comparative strengths and weaknesses, both (i) in theory and (ii) in application to particular issues.

The Theory Exam reading list for 2017-18 is as follows. Students’ answers will be expected to refer to entries listed below as **readings**; they will not be expected to refer to items listed as **resources**, which are listed only as aids to study.

<b>1. Readings on Public Reason</b>
Rainer Forst, <i>The Right to Justification; Elements of a Constructivist Theory of Justice</i> , Chapter 4, “The Justification of Justice: Rawls’s Political Liberalism and Habermas’s Discourse Theory in Dialogue”, pp. 79-122 (New York: Columbia University Press, 2007)
Immanuel Kant, “An Answer to the Question, ‘What is Enlightenment?’” in Immanuel Kant: Practical Philosophy, ed. Mary J. Gregor (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 1794/1996), 11-22.
Susan Moller Okin, “Political Liberalism, Justice and Gender,” <i>Ethics</i> 105/1 (1994): 23-43.
John Rawls, “The Idea of Public Reason Revisited,” in <i>The Law of Peoples, With “The Idea of Public Reason Revisited”</i> (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1999), 129-180.
Thomas Scanlon, <i>What we Owe to Each Other</i> , Chapter 5, “The Structure of Contractualism,” pp. 189-247.
Amartya Sen, <i>The Idea of Justice</i> (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press), Chapters 5, 6, pp. 114-52.
Charles Taylor, “Conditions of an Unforced Consensus on Human Rights,” in J. Bauer and D. Bell, <i>East Asian Challenge for Human Rights</i> , 124-44 (Cambridge University Press.1999)
Jeremy Waldron, “Religious Contributions in Public Deliberation.” <i>San Diego Law Review</i> 30.4 (1993): 817-848.
<b>Resources</b>
Jonathan Quong, “Public Reason”, in <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Summer 2013 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = < <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2013/entries/public-reason/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2013/entries/public-reason/</a> >.
*John Rawls, Lecture VI: “The Idea of Public Reason,” in <i>Political Liberalism</i> , (New York: Columbia University Press. 1993), 212-254.
Jürgen Habermas, “Public Space and Political Public Sphere – The Biographical Roots of Two Motifs in my Thought”, <i>Between Naturalism and Religion; Philosophical Essays</i> , trans. Ciaran Cronin (Malden MA and Cambridge: Polity, 2008).

<b>2. Readings on Ethical Theory</b>
Annette Baier, <i>Moral Prejudices: Essays on Ethics</i> , Chapters 1, 2, and 4, pp. 1-32, 51-75 (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1995).
Robert Goodin, <i>Utilitarianism as a Public Philosophy</i> , Chapter 1, pp. 3-28 (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995).
Brad Hooker, <i>Ideal Code, Real World; A Rule-Consequentialist Theory of Morality</i> , Chapters 1, 2, 8, and 9, pp. 1-71, 159-85 (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000).
Onora O'Neill, <i>The Bounds of Justice</i> , Chapters 1, 2, and 3, pp. 23-64 (Cambridge and New York: Cambridge University Press, 2000).
Joan Tronto, <i>Moral Boundaries</i> , Chapters 4, 5, and 6, pp. 101-180 (New York: Routledge, 1993).
<b>Resources</b>
Marcia Baron, Philip Pettit, and Michael Slote, <i>Three Methods of Ethics</i> (Malden MA and Oxford: Blackwell, 1997)
Hursthouse, Rosalind, "Virtue Ethics", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Fall 2013 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/fall2013/entries/ethics-virtue/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/fall2013/entries/ethics-virtue/</a> .
Sinnott-Armstrong, Walter, "Consequentialism", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Winter 2015 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2015/entries/consequentialism/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2015/entries/consequentialism/</a> .
Tong, Rosemarie and Williams, Nancy, "Feminist Ethics", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Summer 2016 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), forthcoming URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/feminism-ethics/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/feminism-ethics/</a> .

<b>3. Readings on Social/Political Philosophy</b>
Anderson, Elizabeth, "What Is the Point of Equality?," <i>Ethics</i> 109/2 (January 1999): 287-337.
Gillian Brock, <i>Global Justice: A Cosmopolitan Account</i> , Chapters 2-3, pp. 19-83 (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2009).
Ronald Dworkin, "What is Equality? Part II: Equality of Resources", <i>Philosophy and Public Affairs</i> 10.4 (1981): 283-345.
Joel Feinberg, "The Rights of Animals and Future Generations" (various editions)
Harry Frankfurt, "Equality as a Moral Ideal", <i>Ethics</i> 98/1 (1987): 21-43.
Thomas Nagel, "The Problem of Global Justice," <i>Philosophy and Public Affairs</i> 33.2 (2005): 113-147
Robert Nozick, <i>Anarchy, State, and Utopia</i> , pp. 3-35, 149-64 (New York: Basic Books, 1974/2013).
Martha Nussbaum, <i>Frontiers of Justice: Disability, Nationality, Species Membership</i> , Chapter 1, pp. 9-34.
Okin, Susan Moller (1989). <i>Justice, Gender and the Family</i> . Chapter 1, 3-24; Chapter 5, 89-109; Chapter 8, 170-186 (New York: Basic Books, 1989).
Derek Parfit, "Equality and Priority", <i>Ratio</i> 10/3 (1997): 202-221.
Carole Pateman and Charles W. Mills, "Contract and Social Change", in Pateman and Mills, <i>Contract and Domination</i> , Chapter 1, 10-34 (Malden MA and Cambridge: Polity, 2007).
John Rawls, <i>Justice as Fairness: A Restatement</i> , ed. Erin Kelly, §§1-40, 51, pp. 1-134, 168-176.
Amartya Sen, <i>Inequality Reexamined</i> , Chapter 5, "Justice and Capability", pp. 73-87.
Peter Singer, <i>One World: The Ethics of Globalization</i> , Chapter 2, "One Atmosphere", 14-50.
Philippe van Parijs, "Why Surfers Should be Fed: The Liberal Case for an Unconditional Basic Income", <i>Philosophy &amp; Public Affairs</i> 20/2 (1991): 101-131.
<b>Resources</b>
Brock, Gillian, "Global Justice", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Spring 2015 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2015/entries/justice-global/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/spr2015/entries/justice-global/</a> .
Brennan, Andrew and Lo, Yeuk-Sze, "Environmental Ethics", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Winter 2015 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2015/entries/ethics-environmental/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2015/entries/ethics-environmental/</a> .
G.A. Cohen, "On the Currency of Egalitarian Justice" <i>Ethics</i> 99.4 (1989): 906-944
Will Kymlicka, <i>Contemporary Political Theory: An Introduction</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> edition (Oxford and New York: Oxford University Press, 2001).
Lamont, Julian and Favor, Christi, "Distributive Justice", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Summer 2016 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), forthcoming URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/justice-distributive/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/justice-distributive/</a> .
Meyer, Lukas, "Intergenerational Justice", <i>The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> (Summer 2016 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.), forthcoming URL = <a href="http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/justice-intergenerational/">http://plato.stanford.edu/archives/sum2016/entries/justice-intergenerational/</a> .
John Rawls, <i>The Law of Peoples</i> (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 1999), 1-128.