

The Department of Philosophy at
Bowling Green State University presents:

Political Utopia: Promise or Peril?

The 4th Annual Workshop in Applied Ethics
And Public Policy

April 25th & 26th, 2014

Bowen–Thompson Student Union

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Day 1: Friday, April 25th
208 Bowen–Thompson Student Union

- 8:30-9:00 a.m. **Coffee & Breakfast Items**
- 9:00-9:50 a.m. **Alexander Guerrero** (University of Pennsylvania)
“Political Legitimacy and Social Context”
Chair: James Wilson, University of Chicago
- 10:00-10:50 a.m. **Blain Neufeld** (University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee)
“Public Reason and Ideal Theory”
Chair: Alexander Bearden, Bowling Green State University
- 11:00-11:30 a.m. **Break & Refreshments**
- 11:30 a.m.-12:20 p.m. **Bob Talisse** (Vanderbilt University)
“Can Nonideal Theories Guide Action?”
Chair: James Wilson, University of Chicago
- 12:30-2:15 p.m. **Lunch** (at the Oaks)
- 2:15-3:45 p.m. **Keynote Speaker: Jerry Gaus** (University of Arizona)
Coauthor Keith Hankins, University of Arizona
“Searching for the Ideal, and Feasible Ways to It”
- 3:45-4:00 p.m. **Break**
- 4:00-4:50 p.m. **David Wiens** (University of California, San Diego)
“An Internal Problem for Ideal Theory”
Chair: Christian Coons, Bowling Green State University
- 6:30-7:30 p.m. *****Social Hour (Pub - 1st floor of BTSU)** ***
- 7:30-9:30 p.m. **Dinner and Cash Bar** (201 BTSU)

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Day 2: Saturday, April 26th
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- 9:30-10:00 a.m. **Coffee & Breakfast**
- 10:00-10:50 a.m. **Rosa Terlazzo** (Kansas State University)
“When is Non-Ideal Theory too Ideal? Adaptive Preferences, Children, and Ideal Theory”
Chair: Colin Manning, Bowling Green State University
- 11:00-11:50 a.m. **Laura Valentini** (London School of Economics and Political Science)
“Utopophobia, Factophobia, and the Idea of a Realistic Utopia”
Chair: Benjamin McKean, Ohio State University
- 12:30-2:00 p.m. **Lunch** (at the Oaks)
- 2:00-3:30 p.m. **Keynote Speaker: David Estlund** (Brown University)
“Prime Justice”
- 3:30-4:00 p.m. **Break & Refreshments**
- 4:00-4:50 p.m. **Danielle Wenner** (Carnegie Mellon University)
“On the Need for a Non-Ideal Democratic Theory”
Chair: Keith Hankins, University of Arizona
- 5:00-5:50 p.m. **Justin Weinberg** (University of South Carolina)
“The Agency of Justice and the Limits (if any) of Political Philosophy”
Chair: Phil Smolenski, Queen’s University