Philosophy Department Colloquium Presents

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“The Morality of State Symbolic Power”

States do not rely exclusively on carrots and sticks to maintain rule, but also rely on state-sponsored messages and symbols to do so. Yet, philosophical work on state power has tended to focus on the state’s capacity to use physical force and to offer economic incentives, neglecting the state’s expressive and symbolic powers. In this talk, I will explore the morality of state symbolic power, focusing on the state’s capacity to deploy symbolic resources to promote political values.

Everyone is welcome to attend.
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