

Kantian Constructivism

Weekly Schedule

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Week 1:

Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals, Preface, Kant
“Practical Reason: Categorical Imperative, Maxims, Laws”, Westphal

Recommended:

“Kant’s Moral Philosophy”, *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
“Constructivism in Metaethics”, *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*

Week 2:

Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals, Section 1, Kant
“Kant’s Analysis of Obligation: The Argument of *Groundwork I*”, Korsgaard

Week 3:

Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals, Section 2, pp. 24-35, Kant
“Consistency in Action”, O’Neill

Recommended:

“Kant’s Formula of Universal Law”, Korsgaard

Week 4:

Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals, Section 2, pp. 35-47, Kant
“Kant’s Formula of Humanity”, Korsgaard

Week 5:

“Kantian Constructivism in Moral Theory”, Rawls

Week 6:

“Constructivism in Rawls and Kant”, O’Neill

Week 7:

“Reason and Politics in the Kantian Enterprise”, O’Neill
“Vindicating Reason”, O’Neill

Week 8:

“Practical Reason: Abstraction and Construction”, O’Neill

Week 9:

“The Normative Question”, Korsgaard

Week 10:

“Practical Reason and the Unity of the Will”, Korsgaard

Week 11:

“Kant’s Principles of Moral Constructivism”, Westphal

“Natural Law Constructivism and Rational Justification”, Westphal

Week 12:

“Kantian Constructivism as Normative Ethics”, Hill

Week 13:

“Moral Skepticism, Constructivism, and the Value of Humanity”, Stern