



## Philosophy of Human Well-being

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Human well-being has been a central philosophical topic throughout the history of philosophy, though it has temporarily been out of fashion. It has recently achieved new prominence, partly as a reaction to the boom in empirical studies of, and public interest in, the nature and conditions of well-being. Philosophers have tried to improve the conceptual and methodical foundations of well-being research, though with mixed success. Philosophy itself has had difficulties moving beyond the stalemate between subjectivist and objectivist views, and between the “big three” (hedonism, desire satisfaction, and objective list theories), and there are doubts about the real-world applicability or usefulness of abstract notions of well-being. New ideas for hybrid, holistic, dynamic, or contextualist theories of well-being have been put forward, but neither sufficiently developed nor widely discussed. This Special Issue aims to advance the state of the art of philosophical theorizing about human well-being.





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