

Special Issue

Between Virtue and Epistemology

Message from the Guest Editor

The role that intellectual virtues play in facilitating knowledge acquisition of all kinds is receiving increasing philosophical attention. This is not only true in virtue ethics and virtue epistemology, but also in other more applied philosophical domains, such as social epistemology, the epistemology of peer disagreement, philosophical psychology, as well as the philosophy of fake news and conspiracy theories. This Special Issue seeks to bring together research from scholars working in these different areas in order to cast new light on the following central questions: What is intellectual virtue? How does it relate to, or differ from, moral virtue? How can the intellectual virtues be inculcated? What role do the intellectual virtues play in epistemic and moral enquiry? Can the intellectual virtues figure in anti-sceptical strategies? What role can intellectual virtues play in countering or preventing the negative social effects of the spreading of fake news and conspiracy theories? Are intellectual virtues central to human development and leading a good life (eudaimonia)? The Special Issue will also examine the nature of ethical and epistemic normativity.

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