

Special Issue

Walking, Wandering, and Journeying: Approaches from Chinese and Greek Thought

Message from the Guest Editors

Walking, wandering, and journeying are guiding metaphors and embodied practices that shaped the philosophical and religious imagination of early China and Greece. This Special Issue initiates a systematic dialogue between these two philosophical and religious traditions through the lens of walking, wandering, and journeying. We welcome submissions that explore these themes within either tradition or from a comparative perspective. We seek to illuminate how the metaphors and practices of walking, wandering, and journeying shaped foundational ideas about reality, knowledge, and the good life. We also welcome investigations into modern reconstructions of these ancient perceptions.

In this Special Issue, original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Walking as inquiry;
- Wandering of the itinerant/errant sage;
- Self-transformation as journey;
- Ethical crossroads;
- Wandering and withdrawal;
- Wandering and dwelling;
- Walking/acting (xing 行) and speaking (yan 言);
- Walking vs. seeing;
- The politics of walking and wandering.

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