Dr. Henry Janssen

Born in 1921 in Kansas, prior to accepting a position in SDSU, Dr. Janssen received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Oklahoma, joined the army and served in the European Theater in WWII, and returned to the US to work on his doctorate in political science in Berkeley. In 1953, Dr. Janssen began working in the political science department in SDSU and had a crucial role teaching political theory to generations of students, as well as founding the Master's program in Liberal Arts. The Associated Students awarded Janssen the Outstanding Faculty Award in 1971 and 1983. His tenure at SDSU lasted thirty-five years, and after his retirement Janssen continued to mentor students as the adviser to the Honors council, as well as working with others to lay the foundation for the Weber Honors College. Dr. Janssen was a vital part of the community at SDSU until his death in 2013. For 60 years, Dr. Janssen's presence signaled an unequivocal focus on the good and moral life.



Speakers:

Roman Altshuler - University of the Pacific Richard Arneson - UC, San Diego Adam Cureton - UT Knoxville Randall Curren - University of Rochester Taylor Cyr - UC, Riverside Robert Francescotti - SDSU Luis H. Favela - University of Central Florida Andrew Lavin - UCLA Eric Marin - Baylor University

Per-Erik Milam - Oakland University

Jennifer Morton - City College of NY
Theron Pummer - University of St. Andrews
Jason Raibley – CSU, Long Beach
Christopher Riddle – Utica College
Kory Schaff – CSU, Los Angeles
Gina Shouten – Illinois State University
Jordan Shummer – University of Miami
Sandra Wawrytko - SDSU
Mark White – College of Staten Island

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Henry Janssen Memorial Conference in Philosophy: Life and Death

May 22-24

Program

Friday, May 22nd

3:30-5:30: Jansen Memorial seminar meeting (Chair: Frank Hydoski) –

Room: Gail Burnett Classics Center

6:00-8:00: Reception and Janssen seminar members at Miguel's Cocina in Old Town

Saturday, May 23rd

Morning Session 1: Death's Badness - Room: AL201

9:00-9:45: Taylor Cyr, "A Puzzle About Death's Badness: Can Death Be Bad for the Paradise-Bound?"

9:45-10:30: Theron Pummer, "The Slipperiness of Coming into Existence and the Badness of Nonexistence"

Break: 10:30-10:45

Morning Session 2: Work and a Valuable Life – Room: AL201
10:45-11:30: Mark White, "Kant, Dignity, and Work"
11:30-12:15: Kory Schaff, "Rights, Duties, and the Equal Opportunity for Employment"

Lunch 12:15-2:15

Janssen Memorial Seminar Participants' Lunch: 12:15-2:15

Afternoon Session A: Historical Perspectives on Death – Room: AL204 2:30-3:15: Andrew Lavin, "Aristotle, the Good, and Honorable Death" 3:15-4:00: Sandra Wawrytko, "Countering the Fundamentalist War on Women with Ikkyu's Red Thread Zen—Life, Death, and Sexuality"

Afternoon Session B: Education in a Valuable Life – Room: AL201 2:30-3:15: Jennifer Morton, "Educators: Bridging the Ideal/Non-Ideal Divide" 3:15-4:00: Eric Marin, "Educating for the Good Life: A Science Education that Matters"

4:00-4:45: Randall Curren, "Credential Inflation and the Arc of Opportunity"

5:00: Reception/Dinner: At the home of Dr. Steve Barbone

Program

Sunday, May 24th

Morning Session 1: Disability and Death - Room: AL201

9:00-9:45: Adam Cureton, "Hiding One's Disability and Passing as Non-Disabled"

9:45-10:30: Christopher Riddle, "On Disability & Death: The Moral Permissibility of Euthanasia"

Break: 10:30-10:45

Janssen Memorial Lunch Meeting (Lunch): 10:30-1:30

Morning Session 2: Death and Well-Being - Room: AL201

10:45-11:30: Jason Raibley, "Interspecific Well-Being"

11:30-12:15: Richard Arneson, "BOL! The Bare Objective List Account of the Good Life, along with Prioritarian Reflections on Death"

Afternoon Session A: Moral Philosophy Beyond the Boundaries of Life – Room: AL204

1:30-2:15: Luis H. Favela, "Extended Mind, Life, and Death"

2:15-3:00: Per-Erik Milam, "Forgiving the Dead"

3:00-3:45: Gina Schouten, "Fetuses, Orphans, and a Famous Violinist:

Some Musings on the Ethics and Politics of Abortion"

Afternoon Session B: Surviving Death (and the Afterlife) – Room: AL201

1:30-2:15: Robert Francescotti, "Surviving Death: The Persistence of Persons and Animals"

2:15-3:00: Roman Altshuler, "Bootstrapping the Equivocal Afterlife" **3:00-3:45**: Jordan Schummer, "Does Pretense Require Imagination"

Thank you for joining us.