

# Announcements/Chronique

## Occupational Ethics Group

Occupational Ethics is concerned with a type of role ethics, viz., that of a person's profession, vocation, occupation, or job. It covers (1) professions (medicine, law, engineering, architecture, psychology, social work, teaching, etc.), (2) occupations in the business world, (3) government (both elected and appointed branches), (4) other occupations (trades, arts, crafts), to which most people devote much of their waking life. It deals with normative issues arising in occupations: codes of ethics for them, questions of their values, rights and duties, role conflicts, relations with other parts and principles of the moral system, etc. It has both theoretical and practical aspects; the development of theories (meta-ethics) and practical work in teaching, research, and consultation.

Started by some philosophers from the University of Toronto and York University, the Occupational Ethics Group is a consortium of individuals and groups from various disciplines working in the field. It presently consists of approximately seventy members from across Canada and the United States. Regular membership is by application—including a brief statement of qualifications, interests, and current or proposed projects in the field—and the payment of a \$10 fee (\$5 for students) to cover administrative costs.

The purpose of the Group is to advance the state of the Occupational Ethics field by providing a vehicle for the exchange of information and mutual support. It provides a mailing list and newsletter, facilitates the exchange of materials, sources, bibliographies, draft papers for comment and criticism, etc., and arranges conferences and regular workshops. In the last three years it has held workshops on such diverse topics as business ethics, police ethics, forestry ethics, psychiatry and the law, attended by professionals and academics in many fields. The Group also meets regularly in conjunction with the American Society for Business Ethics at Loyola University in Chicago.

## Studies in Early Modern Philosophy

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