

The Philosophical History of Strengths and Virtues
Sponsored by the Positive Psychology Network Interdisciplinary Pod
The University of Pennsylvania
September 2-4, 2004

All Friday and Saturday sessions will take place at 3701 Market Street, 2nd floor.

Thursday, September 2

At the Inn at Penn, Walnut Street between 36th and 37th Streets, in the Hourglass Room:

- 5:00 Welcoming Reception
- 5:30 Dinner
- 6:30 Introductions
- 6:45 Martin Seligman
“Positive Psychology and Virtue”
- 7:30 Christopher Peterson
“The Values in Action Classification of Strengths and Virtues”

Friday, September 3

- 9:00 – 10:30 Session I
Martha Nussbaum
“Positive Psychology and Ancient Virtue Ethics”
Discussant: Martin Seligman
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:15 Session II
Lawrence Becker
“Virtue, Health, and Eudaimonistic Psychology”
Discussant: Richard Shusterman
- 12:15 – 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 – 3:00 Session III
Barry Schwartz and Kenneth Sharpe
“Practical Wisdom: Aristotle Meets Positive Psychology”
Discussant: James Murphy
- 3:00 – 3:15 Break
- 3:15 – 4:45 Session IV
James Pawelski
“Constructive Meliorism, William James, and the Habits of Character”
Discussant: Janice Staab
- 5:00 Dinner at nearby restaurant (Vietnam Palace, 222 N. 11th Street between Race & Vine, on the west side of the street, in Chinatown, not the Vietnam Restaurant across the street.)

Saturday, September 4

- 9:00 – 10:30 Session V
Douglas Den Uyl
“Emotion, Activity and Virtue in Spinoza and Positive Psychology”
Discussant: Maria LaRusso
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:15 Session VI
Charles Scott
“Universality and Power in Positive Psychology: Two Talking Points”
Discussant: Christopher Peterson
- 12:15 – 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 – 3:00 Session VII
Shannon Sullivan
“The Danger of Virtue: On Women and Humanity”
Discussant: Susan Schoenbohm
- 3:00 – 3:15 Break
- 3:15 – 4:45 Session VIII
Joseph Margolis
“The Trouble with Virtue”
Discussant: Barry Schwartz
- 4:45 – 5:00 Concluding Remarks
- 5:00 Dinner (Optional)