

November 2021

# ND Philosophy

## Philosopher in Print



This month's 'Philosopher in Print' is graduate student, Isabel Canfield. Her co-authored article, "Challenges to Building a Gene Variant Commons to Assess Hereditary Cancer Risk: Results of a Modified Policy Delphi Panel Deliberation", is available in the July issue of *Journal of Personal Medicine*

### Abstract

Understanding the clinical significance of variants associated with hereditary cancer risk requires access to a pooled data resource or network of resources—a "cancer gene variant commons"—incorporating representative, well-characterized genetic data, metadata, and, for some purposes, pathways to case-level data. Several initiatives have invested significant resources into collecting and sharing cancer gene variant data, but further progress hinges on identifying and addressing unresolved policy issues. This commentary provides insights from a modified policy Delphi process involving experts from a range of stakeholder groups involved in the data-sharing ecosystem. In particular, we describe policy issues and options generated by Delphi participants in five domains critical to the development of an effective cancer gene variant commons: incentives, financial sustainability, privacy and security, equity, and data quality. Our intention is to stimulate wider discussion and lay a foundation for further work evaluating policy options more in-depth and mapping them to those who have the power to bring about change. Addressing issues in these five domains will contribute to a cancer gene variant commons that supports better care for at-risk and affected patients, empowers patient communities, and advances research on hereditary cancers.

[Full article found here](#)

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## November

- 02 Placement Meeting**  
5:15 pm  
242 O'Shag
- 04 Metaphysics Colloquium: Becca Chan (San Jose State)**  
5 pm  
[Zoom Link](#)
- 05 HoP Workshop: Alberto Ross (Universidad Panamericana)**  
12-1:30 pm  
107 O'Shag
- 11 CPR talk: Beth Allison Barr (Baylor)**  
"Forgetting Our Medieval Religion: The Cost for Women"  
3:30-5 pm  
138 DeBartolo  
Reception to follow in Malloy
- 12 History of Philosophy Fall Forum**  
Speaker TBA  
12-1 pm  
107 O'Shag
- Colloquium: Harvey Brown**  
"The role of symmetry principles in physics: some philosophical reflections."  
3-5 pm  
126 DeBartolo Hall  
Reception to follow

## Get to know our Philosophers!

[David O'Connor]

1. What would you sing at Karaoke night? *Brown Sugar by the Rolling Stones*
2. What did you want to be when you were small? *A Knight*
3. If you could only eat one meal for the rest of your life, what would it be? *Enchiladas*
4. What's the worst gift you've received? *Hand knitted scarf*
5. Who would you want to play you in a movie? *Sean Connery*

## Around Campus November

- 05** **Ahead of the Game -A&L Series Presentation**  
2:30-3:30 pm  
LaBar Recital Hall (within O'Neill Hall)
- 06** **ND vs. Navy**  
2:30 pm
- 10** **Notre Dame Press Book Festival and Dirty Book Sale**  
10am-6pm  
Hesburgh Library Concourse
- 19** **Ahead of the Game -A&L Series Presentation**  
2:30-3:30 pm  
LaBar Recital Hall (within O'Neill Hall)
- 20** **ND vs. Georgia Tech**  
2:30 pm
- 24** **Thanksgiving holiday for Students**  
Nov. 24-28  
Office closed on 25-26
- 28** **Chanukah begins**  
Nov. 28-Dec. 8

[events.nd.edu](http://events.nd.edu) for full list

## News and Announcements

- **New Philosophy T-Shirt!**  
We will hopefully have the new t-shirt available before the Thanksgiving break. We will send out an email when they are available. Mugs will most likely be available after the break.
- **Malloy Hall Food Drive**  
From now until November 17th we will be collecting canned goods for the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. The collection drums are located at all the entrances of Malloy. The most needed items are soups, canned fruit, cereal, cleaning supplies and toiletries.
- **Philosophy Gift Guide**  
We will be launching our Philosophy Gift guides on our social media pages so be on the lookout early this month!
- **Undergrad and Grad Students!**  
Want to tell the world why you love our department? Drop Christine a short video (we're talking just a couple seconds) on why you do! She is collecting them to make into a Reel.
- **Love Memes?**  
Interested in creating funny philosophy memes for our social media pages? Contact [Christine](#)! And be sure to follow us on social media!

Do you have any suggestions for our newsletter or have news that you want featured? Fill out [this form](#) to tell us!

## Meme of the Month



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