Overview of class
This seminar will focus on the contractualist moral theory developed by T.M. Scanlon in his book What We Owe to Each Other. We will work through Scanlon's book and consider both critical responses to it as well as more recent developments of the theory by Scanlon and others.

Learning Objectives
Students will learn the fundamentals of contractualist moral theory and the main arguments in favor of it as against prominent rival moral theories, such as utilitarianism; they will also gain an understanding of the main criticisms leveled against the theory as well as how contractualists might respond to these criticisms.

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