

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Conference on Charting the Genome

A conference on "Charting the Genome: Implications of Genetic Technology for Healthcare Practitioners in the 1990s" will be held February 26-27 at the Westin Hotel, L.A. Airport, Los Angeles, CA, USA. The conference is designed to explore the difficult ethical, legal, and social issues that arise from expanding genetic knowledge and technology. Prior to the conference itself, a half-day workshop on contemporary genetics will provide a basic understanding of the underlying science.

The conference is cosponsored by the Pacific Center for Health Policy and Ethics (University of Southern California) and the UniHealth America Foundation. The 22 faculty include Alexander Capron, Ellen Wright Clayton, Elaine Draper, Troy Duster, Norman Fost, Leroy Hood, Eric Juengst, Mary Claire King, Kimberly Quaid, and Jan Witkowski. For more information, contact the Pacific Center for Health Policy and Ethics, USC Law Center, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0071, USA; tel: (213) 740-2541; fax (213) 740-0149.

Advanced Bioethics Course IV

The Kennedy Institute of Ethics at Georgetown University will offer, March 6-10, 1993, a follow-up course to its Intensive Bioethics Course. "Advanced Bioethics Course IV: The Ethics of Allocating Health Resources" will provide instruction in ethical theory and the complex relationships among ethics, law, and public policy relating to the allocation of health resources.

Faculty include Dan W. Brock, James F. Childress, Norman Daniels, Ruth Macklin, Edmund D. Pellegrino, Madison Powers, Robert M. Veatch, and LeRoy Walters. Applications received after February 1 will be considered on a space-available basis. For more information, contact Diane Michutka, Course Coordinator, Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University, Washington, DC 20057, USA.

Conference on Evolution and the Human Sciences

The LSE Centre for the Philosophy of the Natural and Social Sciences will sponsor a conference on "Evolution and the Human Sciences" at the London School of Economics and Political Science, June 24-26, 1993. The

conference will bring together evolutionary biologists, social scientists, methodologists, and philosophers of science for the purpose of appraising the prospects of successfully applying evolutionary theory to the problems of the human sciences.

Topics will include the evolutionary roots of homicide, incest, sexuality, reasoning, language, consciousness, economics, medicine, and other phenomena. Contributors will include, among others, Leda Cosmides, Martin Daly, Richard Dawkins, William D. Hamilton, Nicholas Humphrey, Philip Kitcher, John Maynard Smith, Elliott Sober, John Tooby, George C. Williams, and Margo Wilson.

For further information, contact Pat Gardner, Centre for the Philosophy of the Natural and Social Sciences, London School of Economics and Political Science, Houghton Street, London WC2A 2AEA, United Kingdom; tel: 071-955-7341; fax: 071-242-0392; email: philcent@uk.ac.lse.

Biological Perspectives in the Social Sciences

The Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research and the Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for the Social Sciences at Dartmouth College are cosponsoring a summer, 1993 faculty seminar on "Biological Perspectives in the Social Sciences." Participation will be limited to 40 college and university faculty (or advanced graduate students). The seminar, to be held at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire, USA, will begin with dinner on July 31 and end at noon on August 6.

Roger Masters (Department of Government, Dartmouth) will serve as director of the seminar. Michael T. McGuire (Neuropsychiatric Institute, UCLA) will serve as codirector. They will be assisted by visiting lecturers representing diverse fields in the biological and social sciences.

A limited number of grants covering the expenses of room and board will be available for those who teach courses or conduct scholarly research integrating biological perspectives in the social sciences. Participants are responsible for their own travel expenses. On-campus housing and meals will be available to seminar participants.

For applications to attend and inquiries about grants to cover room, board, and registration fees, contact Ms. Kimberly Watson, Nelson A. Rockefeller Center for the

Social Sciences, 6082 Rockefeller Hall, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH 03755-3514, USA; tel: (603) 646-3874; fax: (603) 646-1329. Questions concerning the program and faculty should be directed to Professor Roger D. Masters, Department of Government, 6108 Silsby Hall, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH 03755-3547, USA; tel: (603) 646-2153; fax: (603) 646-2152.

JAI Series in Biopolitics

JAI Press has instituted an annual series, *Research in Biopolitics*. The series editors are Albert Somit (Southern Illinois University) and Steven A. Peterson (Alfred University). The first volume in the series was published in September, 1991 (Glendon Schubert's *Sexual Politics and Political Feminism*). A new volume will normally appear each September.

The volume for 1992 is Albert Somit and Steven A. Peterson (eds.), *Biopolitics and the Mainstream: Contributions of Biology to Political Science*. Scheduled for 1993 is Joseph Losco and Albert Somit (eds.), *Politics and Human Nature*. For 1994, the tentatively scheduled volume is Steven A. Peterson and Albert Somit (eds.), *Methods in Biopolitics: A Research Handbook*. Members of APLS may wish to request that their libraries submit standing orders for this annual series.

Scholars with potential book length manuscripts are encouraged by the series editors to submit a prospectus, along with one or two sample chapters. Books in manuscript form are due at JAI Press one year before publication. Hence, the next volume, after those currently in the queue, would be due in JAI Press's offices by July, 1994 (for publication in 1995). Prospective authors who find that timetable suitable should contact Professor Steven A. Peterson, Division of Social Sciences, Alfred University, Alfred, NY 14802, USA.

Acknowledgement of Referees

As a refereed journal, the success of *Politics and the Life Sciences* depends on the generosity of a great many scholars who donate their time and expertise to review manuscripts. The scholars listed below reviewed one or more manuscripts for *PLS* in 1992. We extend our sincere thanks for their expert contribution to the journal's mission.

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International Society for Human Ethology

The International Society for Human Ethology (ISHE) held its convention in Amsterdam, July 27-31, 1992. New officers are Karl Grammer, Secretary, and Nancy L. Segal, Membership Chair. Membership in ISHE includes a subscription to the quarterly *Human Ethology Newsletter* (Glenn Weisfeld, Editor) and a 20% discount for the journal *Ethology and Sociobiology*. To join the society, send a US\$20 check payable to ISHE to Nancy L. Segal, Department of Psychology, University of California—Fullerton, Fullerton, CA 92634, USA.

New Journal on Environmental Values

Environmental Values is a new international journal concerned with the rational basis and justification of environmental policy. It aims to bring together contributions from philosophy, law, economics, and other disciplines that relate to the present and future environment of humans and other species. It also aims to clarify the relationship between practical policy issues and more fundamental underlying principles or assumptions.

Contributions (or inquiries about contributing) should be addressed to Alan Holland, Editor, *Environmental Values*, Department of Philosophy, Lancaster University, Lancaster LA1 4YG, United Kingdom. Inquiries about subscribing should be addressed to The White Horse Press, 10 High Street, Knapwell, Cambridge CB3 8NR, United Kingdom.