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**PROGRAM**

**APRIL 14TH, 2016**  
**KEYNOTE**  
5:00 – 7:00: Andrew Altman (Distinguished University Professor, Georgia State University)  
*International Law and the Targeted Killing of Terrorists*

**APRIL 15TH, 2016**  
**WORKSHOP**  
8:30 – 9:40 Graham Parsons (Asst, Prof., West Point)  
*Families and Armies in Traditional Social Contract Theory*

9:50 – 11:00 Candice Delmas (Asst. Prof., Northeastern)  
*The Ethics of Hacktivism*

*Boycotting Labor Injustice*

12:20 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 2:40 Maxim Pensky (Professor, Binghamton)  
*Two Cheers for the Impunity Norm*

2:50 – 4:00 Jeff Flynn (Assoc. Prof., Fordham)  
*Human Dignity and the Genealogy of Human Rights*

All events will be held in UUW-324

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**SCHOLARS**

**Graham Parson**'s research interests are in social and political philosophy, ethics, and the history of philosophy, with a focus on moral issues of war and peace. Much of his work has focused on properly understanding traditional just war theory and its present day implications.

**Candice Delmas**' specialization is in ethics, social and political philosophy, and philosophy of law. Her primary research is on citizens’ moral obligations under conditions of injustice, examining the responsibility to resist injustice through civil disobedience, government whistleblowing, and hacktivism. Delmas will be the 2016-17 Dworkin-Balzan Fellow at New York University School of Law.

**Dani Wenner** works in social and political philosophy, global justice, and applied ethics. Her research focuses primarily on the ethics and methods of clinical research, with a special emphasis on research conducted in and on lower- and middle-income populations.

**Max Pensky**'s research spans social and political philosophy, contemporary continental philosophy (especially critical theory), philosophy of law, and philosophy of social science. Much of his recent work concerns punishment and post-conflict justice in the international context.

**Jeff Flynn**'s research interests are mainly in political philosophy and critical social theory. His current work focuses on human rights and humanitarianism in history and contemporary practice.

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**2016 PPL VISITING SCHOLAR**

Andrew Altman received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1977 and is currently Distinguished University Professor, Professor of Philosophy, and Director of Research of the Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics at Georgia State University. He has published 3 books, a coedited collection on targeted killing, and over 40 articles, many in some of the most recognized journals in the field. He is also the recipient of multiple NEH grants, and has co-directed 4 NEH summer seminars. His scholarly work is in legal and political philosophy, with a focus on human rights, discrimination, genocide, and freedom of expression.