# FIL4300 – ETIKK

Course plan

Seminar 1

Tu. 24. Sep 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Introduction to The Ethics of Influence, core ideas and course overview

- What is influence?
- What kinds of influence are interesting?
- What makes influence permissible? What makes it problematic?

Readings (6 pages):

- Miyata, A., 2024. Nudging and the Ethics of Non-rational Influence (Doctoral Dissertation). Oslo Metropolitan University.
    - §4. (pp. 29–34)

Seminar 2

We. 2. Oct 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Lying and deception

Readings (66 pages):

- Carson, T.L., 2006. The Definition of Lying*. Nous 40, 284–306. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.0029-4624.2006.00610.x
- Tilton, E.C.R., Ichikawa, J.J., 2021. Not What I Agreed To: Content and Consent. Ethics 132, 127–154. https://doi.org/10.1086/715283
- Cohen, S., 2018. Manipulation and Deception. Australasian Journal of Philosophy 96, 483–497. https://doi.org/10.1080/00048402.2017.1386692

Seminar 3

We. 9. Oct 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Bullshit

Readings (77 pages):

- Fallis, D., Stokke, A., 2017. Bullshitting, Lying, and Indifference toward Truth. Ergo, an Open Access Journal of Philosophy 4. https://doi.org/10.3998/ergo.12405314.0004.010

- Mukerji, N., 2018. What is Fake News? Ergo: an Open Access Journal of Philosophy 5. https://doi.org/10.3998/ergo.12405314.0005.035
- Cassam, Q., Philosophy Documentation Center, 2018. Epistemic Insouciance: Journal of Philosophical Research 43, 1–20. https://doi.org/10.5840/jpr2018828131

Seminar 4

We. 16. Oct 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Autonomy and coercion

Readings (96 pages):

- Faden, R.R., Beauchamp, T.L., 1986. A History and Theory of Informed Consent. Oxford University Press, Oxford and New York.
    - §7 (pp, 235-273)
- Zimmerman, D., 1981. Coercive Wage Offers. Philosophy & Public Affairs 10, 121–145. https://www.jstor.org/stable/2264975
- Anderson, S.A., 2017. The Enforcement Approach to Coercion. JESP 5, 1–32. https://doi.org/10.26556/jesp.v5i1.47

Seminar 5

Tu. 22. Oct 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Coercion and consent

Readings (91 pages):

- Shaw, J.R., 2012. The Morality of Blackmail. Public Affairs 40, 165–196. https://doi.org/10.1111/papa.12001
- Conly, S., n.d. Seduction, Rape, and Coercion. Ethics 115. https://doi.org/10.1086/421981
- Kukla, Q.R., 2021. A Nonideal Theory of Sexual Consent. Ethics 131, 270–292. https://doi.org/10.1086/711209

Seminar 6

Tu. 29. Oct 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Paternalism

Readings (92 pages):

- Shiffrin, S.V., 2000. Paternalism, unconscionability doctrine, and accommodation. Philosophy & Public Affairs 29, 205–250. http://www.jstor.org/stable/2672846
- Conly, S., 2013. Against autonomy: justifying coercive paternalism. Journal of Medical Ethics 40, 349. https://doi.org/10.1136/medethics-2013-101444

- Cholbi, M., 2016. Paternalism and our Rational Powers. Mind fzv205. https://doi.org/10.1093/mind/fzv205
- Fleisje, A., 2023. Paternalistic persuasion: are doctors paternalistic when persuading patients, and how does persuasion differ from convincing and recommending? Med Health Care and Philos 26, 257–269. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11019-023-10142-2

Seminar 7

We. 30. Oct 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Nudging and libertarian paternalism

Readings (78 pages):

- Sunstein, C.R., Thaler, R.H., 2003. Libertarian paternalism is not an oxymoron. The University of Chicago Law Review 1159–1202. https://www.jstor.org/stable/1600573
- Hausman, D., Welch, B., 2009. Debate: To Nudge or Not to Nudge*. Journal of Political Philosophy 18, 123–136. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9760.2009.00351.x
- Engelen, B., Nys, T., 2020. Nudging and Autonomy: Analyzing and Alleviating the Worries. Rev.Phil.Psych. 11, 137–156. https://doi.org/10.1007/s13164-019-00450-z

Seminar 8

Tu. 5. Nov 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Nudging and non-rational influence

Readings (69 pages):

- Miyata, A., 2024. Nudging and the Ethics of Non-rational Influence (Doctoral Dissertation). Oslo Metropolitan University.
    - §6–7 (pp. 62–93)
    - Optional: §5 (pp. 35-61)
- Engelen, B., 2019. Nudging and rationality: What is there to worry? Rationality and Society 31, 204–232. https://doi.org/10.1177/1043463119846743
- Miyata-Sturm, A., 2019. Blameworthy bumping? Investigating nudge's neglected cousin. Journal of Medical Ethics medethics-2018-105179. https://doi.org/10.1136/medethics-2018-105179

Seminar 9

We. 6. Nov 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Influence and technology

Readings (66):

- Chomanski, B., 2023. Mental Integrity in the Attention Economy: in Search of the Right to Attention. Neuroethics 16, 8. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12152-022-09514-x
- Alfano, M., Carter, J.A., Cheong, M., 2018. Technological Seduction and Self-Radicalization. J. of the Am. Philos. Assoc. 4, 298–322. https://doi.org/10.1017/apa.2018.27
- Ruehle, R.C., 2023. The Moral Permissibility of Digital Nudging in the Workplace: Reconciling Justification and Legitimation. Business Ethics Quarterly 33, 502–531. https://doi.org/10.1017/beq.2023.4

Seminar 10

We. 13. Nov 10:15–12:00 Seminar GM, Seminarrom 219

Topic: Manipulation and seduction

Readings (52 pages):

- Noggle, R., 1996. Manipulative Actions: A Conceptual and Moral Analysis. American Philosophical Quarterly 33, 43–55. https://www.jstor.org/stable/20009846
- Cave, E.M., 2009. Unsavory Seduction. Ethical Theory and Moral Practice 12, 235–245. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10677-009-9163-9
- Buss, S., 2005. Valuing Autonomy and Respecting Persons: Manipulation, Seduction, and the Basis of Moral Constraints. Ethics 115, 195–235. https://doi.org/10.1086/426304

Seminar 11

Tu. 19. Nov 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Manipulation and nudges

Readings (53 pages):

- Gorin, M., 2014. Do manipulators always threaten rationality? American Philosophical Quarterly 51, 51–61. https://www.jstor.org/stable/24475370
- Miyata, A., 2024. Nudging and the Ethics of Non-rational Influence (Doctoral Dissertation). Oslo Metropolitan University.
    - Paper 3: The attitude-sensitive account of manipulation
- Noggle, R., 2018. Manipulation, salience, and nudges. Bioethics 32, 164–170. https://doi.org/10.1111/bioe.12421

Seminar 12

Tu. 26. Nov 12:15–14:00 Seminar SB, Seminarrom 3 (128)

Topic: Manipulation, education, advice

Readings (48 pages):

- Aboodi, R., 2021. What's Wrong with Manipulation in Education? PES 77, 66–80. https://doi.org/10.47925/77.2.066
- Zembylas, M., 2022. Rethinking political socialization in schools: The role of 'affective indoctrination.' Educational Philosophy and Theory 54, 2480–2491. https://doi.org/10.1080/00131857.2021.2006634
- Archard, D., 2021. Philosophical Advice. Philosophy 96, 603–623. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0031819121000139

## Literature

Total pages: 807

### Book sections

Faden, R.R., Beauchamp, T.L., 1986. A History and Theory of Informed Consent. Oxford University Press, Oxford and New York. Chapter 7 (pp, 235-273)

### Doctoral dissertations

Miyata, A., 2024. Nudging and the Ethics of Non-rational Influence (Doctoral Dissertation). Oslo Metropolitan University.

### Papers

Aboodi, R., 2021. What's Wrong with Manipulation in Education? PES 77, 66–80. https://doi.org/10.47925/77.2.066

Alfano, M., Carter, J.A., Cheong, M., 2018. Technological Seduction and Self-Radicalization. J. of the Am. Philos. Assoc. 4, 298–322. https://doi.org/10.1017/apa.2018.27

Anderson, S.A., 2017. The Enforcement Approach to Coercion. JESP 5, 1–32. https://doi.org/10.26556/jesp.v5i1.47

Archard, D., 2021. Philosophical Advice. Philosophy 96, 603–623. https://doi.org/10.1017/S0031819121000139

Buss, S., 2005. Valuing Autonomy and Respecting Persons: Manipulation, Seduction, and the Basis of Moral Constraints. Ethics 115, 195–235. https://doi.org/10.1086/426304

Carson, T.L., 2006. The Definition of Lying*. Nous 40, 284–306. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.0029-4624.2006.00610.x

Cassam, Q., Philosophy Documentation Center, 2018. Epistemic Insouciance: Journal of Philosophical Research 43, 1–20. https://doi.org/10.5840/jpr2018828131

Cave, E.M., 2009. Unsavory Seduction. Ethical Theory and Moral Practice 12, 235–245. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10677-009-9163-9

Cholbi, M., 2016. Paternalism and our Rational Powers. Mind fzv205. https://doi.org/10.1093/mind/fzv205

Chomanski, B., 2023. Mental Integrity in the Attention Economy: in Search of the Right to Attention. Neuroethics 16, 8. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12152-022-09514-x

Cohen, S., 2018. Manipulation and Deception. Australasian Journal of Philosophy 96, 483–497. https://doi.org/10.1080/00048402.2017.1386692

Conly, S., 2013. Against autonomy: justifying coercive paternalism. Journal of Medical Ethics 40, 349. https://doi.org/10.1136/medethics-2013-101444

Conly, S., n.d. Seduction, Rape, and Coercion. Ethics 115. https://doi.org/10.1086/421981

Engelen, B., 2019. Nudging and rationality: What is there to worry? Rationality and Society 31, 204–232. https://doi.org/10.1177/1043463119846743

Engelen, B., Nys, T., 2020. Nudging and Autonomy: Analyzing and Alleviating the Worries. Rev.Phil.Psych. 11, 137–156. https://doi.org/10.1007/s13164-019-00450-z

Fallis, D., Stokke, A., 2017. Bullshitting, Lying, and Indifference toward Truth. Ergo, an Open Access Journal of Philosophy 4. https://doi.org/10.3998/ergo.12405314.0004.010

Fleisje, A., 2023. Paternalistic persuasion: are doctors paternalistic when persuading patients, and how does persuasion differ from convincing and recommending? Med Health Care and Philos 26, 257–269. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11019-023-10142-2

Gorin, M., 2014. Do manipulators always threaten rationality? American Philosophical Quarterly 51, 51–61. https://www.jstor.org/stable/24475370

Hausman, D., Welch, B., 2009. Debate: To Nudge or Not to Nudge*. Journal of Political Philosophy 18, 123–136. https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1467-9760.2009.00351.x

Kukla, Q.R., 2021. A Nonideal Theory of Sexual Consent. Ethics 131, 270–292. https://doi.org/10.1086/711209

Miyata-Sturm, A., 2019. Blameworthy bumping? Investigating nudge's neglected cousin. Journal of Medical Ethics medethics-2018-105179. https://doi.org/10.1136/medethics-2018-105179

Mukerji, N., 2018. What is Fake News? Ergo: an Open Access Journal of Philosophy 5. https://doi.org/10.3998/ergo.12405314.0005.035

Noggle, R., 1996. Manipulative Actions: A Conceptual and Moral Analysis. American Philosophical Quarterly 33, 43–55. https://www.jstor.org/stable/20009846

Noggle, R., 2018. Manipulation, salience, and nudges. Bioethics 32, 164–170. https://doi.org/10.1111/bioe.12421

Ruehle, R.C., 2023. The Moral Permissibility of Digital Nudging in the Workplace: Reconciling Justification and Legitimation. Business Ethics Quarterly 33, 502–531. https://doi.org/10.1017/beq.2023.4

Shaw, J.R., 2012. The Morality of Blackmail. Public Affairs 40, 165–196. https://doi.org/10.1111/papa.12001

Shiffrin, S.V., 2000. Paternalism, unconscionability doctrine, and accommodation. Philosophy & Public Affairs 29, 205–250. http://www.jstor.org/stable/2672846

Sunstein, C.R., Thaler, R.H., 2003. Libertarian paternalism is not an oxymoron. The University of Chicago Law Review 1159–1202. https://www.jstor.org/stable/1600573

Tilton, E.C.R., Ichikawa, J.J., 2021. Not What I Agreed To: Content and Consent. Ethics 132, 127–154. https://doi.org/10.1086/715283

Zembylas, M., 2022. Rethinking political socialization in schools: The role of 'affective indoctrination.' Educational Philosophy and Theory 54, 2480–2491. https://doi.org/10.1080/00131857.2021.2006634

Zimmerman, D., 1981. Coercive Wage Offers. Philosophy & Public Affairs 10, 121–145. https://www.jstor.org/stable/2264975