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Professional Ethics Program Announces Its 2017 Fellows in Business, Journalism, Law, Medicine, and Seminary

63 New Fellows to Join 384 Alumni in Program’s Eighth Year

New York, NY—Fellowships at Auschwitz for the Study of Professional Ethics (FASPE), a program that studies the conduct of professionals in Nazi-occupied Europe as a way to engage participants in discussions on contemporary professional ethics, has announced its fellows for 2017. This summer, 63 Business, Journalism, Law, Medical, and Seminary Fellows (listed below) will participate in the program, which takes place over two-weeks in Germany and Poland.

Now in its eighth year of operation, FASPE provides a unique historical lens to engage graduate students in professional schools as well as early-stage practitioners in five fields (business, journalism, law, medicine, and religious leadership) in an intensive course of study focused on contemporary ethical issues in their professions. In 2017, the five programs combined drew close to 1,000 applicants from around the world.

FASPE offers an approach that differs from the usual classroom experience by providing a holistic curriculum that looks beyond the specifics of formal rules to focus on ethical problems faced by individual business leaders, journalists, lawyers, physicians, and clergy in contemporary work and institutional settings. Daily seminars are led by specialized faculty who engage fellows in discussions and critical thinking about both the historical and the contemporary.

“By educating students about the causes of the Holocaust and the power of their chosen professions, FASPE seeks to instill a sense of professional responsibility for the ethical and moral choices that the Fellows will make in their careers and in their professional relationships,” said David Goldman, FASPE’s founder and chairman.

Prior to World War II, German professionals were well regarded internationally. In many respects, they set the standard for a commitment to quality of practice and for independence from state and political influence. Yet, leaders and practitioners in each of the professions, and often the institutions they represented, were fundamentally involved in
designing, enabling, and/or executing the crimes of Nazi Germany. FASPE studies the perpetrators to emphasize the essential role of professionals and to ask how and why professionals abandon their ethical guideposts.

The Business, Journalism, Law, Medical, and Seminary program each examines the role played by professionals in the respective fields within the Nazi state, underscoring the reality that moral codes governing each profession can break down or be distorted with devastating consequences. With this historical background, Fellows are better positioned (and more willing) to confront contemporary issues in their own work.

In 2017, the Business program will be led by Mary Gentile, Creator/Director of Giving Voice to Values and Professor of Practice at the University of Virginia Darden School of Business; and Markus Scholz, Endowed Chair of Corporate Governance & Business Ethics at the FH Wien University of Applied Sciences in Vienna, Austria. The Journalism program will be led by Gabriel Kahn, Professor of Professional Practice of Journalism at the University of Southern California Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism; and Ilene Prusher, an award-winning journalist on the faculty of Florida Atlantic University’s School of Communication & Multimedia Studies. The Law program will be led by Susan Carle, Professor of Law at American University’s Washington College of Law; and Eric Muller, Dan K. Moore Distinguished Professor of Law in Jurisprudence and Ethics at the University of North Carolina School of Law. The Medical program will be led by Dr. Mark Mercurio, Professor of Pediatrics (Neonatology), Chief of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, and Director of the Program for Biomedical Ethics at the Yale School of Medicine; and Dr. John Hughes, Professor of Medicine (General Medicine) at the Yale School of Medicine. The Seminary program will be led by Rabbi James Ponet, the Howard M. Holtzmann Jewish Chaplain Emeritus at Yale University; and Father Kevin Spicer, C.S.C., the James J. Kenneally Distinguished Professor of History at Stonehill College.

FASPE Business, Journalism, and Law fellows travel together, as do the Medical and Seminary fellows. This enhances the learning experience, allowing fellows from each program to engage in interdisciplinary dialogue on ethics in both formal and informal settings. FASPE covers all program costs, including travel, food, and lodging.

In 2017, the Business, Journalism, and Law programs will begin in Berlin on May 21 and continue in Krakow and Oświęcim (the town in which Auschwitz is located), Poland, on May 26. The Medical and Seminary programs will begin in Berlin on June 19 and continue in Krakow and Oświęcim on June 23. In Berlin, the program includes seminars, museum visits, meeting with a Holocaust survivor, and workshops at the House of the Wannsee Conference, the site where state and Nazi Party agencies convened in 1942 to coordinate plans for the Nazis’ “Final Solution.” In Krakow, fellows will continue their seminars at Jagiellonian University, one of Europe’s oldest and most prestigious universities, and at Auschwitz, they will be guided by the distinguished educational staff of the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum.

After completing the program, each fellow will submit an essay focused on a contemporary ethical issue of his or her choice. Select essays are published in the annual FASPE Journal, which showcases work in all five disciplines.

FASPE maintains long-term relationships with its fellows in order to sustain commitment to ethical behavior and to provide a forum for continued dialogue. Today, the Fellowship boasts a total of 384 alumni across its five programs.

“FASPE is committed to a long-term relationship with fellows in order to sustain the ideas raised during the program. FASPE fosters an active network of alumni and provides a variety of opportunities for fellows to exchange ideas and to meet to continue the dialogue started during our trips as they move forward in their careers,” said Thorin R. Tritter, FASPE’s Executive Director. “The centerpiece of these efforts is our annual Alumni Reunion & Symposium where fellows from all years discuss current issues in their respective fields and participate in various interdisciplinary networking activities.”

To learn more about FASPE and its programs, visit www.FASPE.info or contact Thorin Tritter at ttritter@faspe.info.
2017 FASPE Fellows

BUSINESS
Emily Anding - College of William & Mary Mason School
Dadrien Barnes - OSU Fisher College of Business
Michael Conway - Columbia Business School
Araz Javadov - Duke U. Fuqua School of Business
Ian Javkin - Duke U. Fuqua School of Business
Chinmay Malaviya - UC Berkeley Haas School of Business
Carmina Mancenon - Yale School of Management
Kyle Pérez - U. of Virginia Darden School of Business
Chris Pozzi - U. of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business
Nicole Salaber - Harvard Business School
Sean Singer - MIT Sloan School of Management
Zachary Stauber - MIT Sloan School of Management

JOURNALISM
Yemile Bucay - Columbia Journalism School
Jacques Gallant - Toronto Star
Renee Gross - USC Annenberg
Kate Harloe - UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism
Astead W. Herndon - The Boston Globe
Laura Howells - Ryerson University
E. T. Sonner Kehrt - UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism
Nokuthula Manyathi - Columbia Journalism School
Amanda McGowan - WGBH
Daina Beth Solomon - Los Angeles Business Journal
Shira Telushkin - Harvard Divinity School
Armando Tonatiuh Torres-Garcia - Columbia Journalism School

MEDICAL
Hyunwoo June Choo - Brown U. Alpert Medical School
Samuel Cohen-Tanugi - Columbia U. College of P & S
Spencer Cope - UT Health San Antonio
Maggie Cupit-Link - Mayo Clinic School of Medicine
Rebecca Grossman-Kahn - U. of Michigan Medical School
Rachel Johnson - U. of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine
Alexa Kanbergs - Brown U. Alpert Medical School
Marquita Kilgore - Yale School of Medicine
Logan LeBlanc - Vanderbilt U. School of Medicine
Yuntong Ma - Washington U. School of Medicine in St. Louis
Suressh K. Puvuluri - UNMC College of Medicine
Natalie Yanzí Ring - Dartmouth U. Geisel School of Medicine
J. Bradley Segal - Harvard Medical School
Allen Shih - Yale School of Medicine
Stephen Trinidad - Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

SEMINARY
Rev. Philippe E. C. Andal - Yale Divinity School
Rev. David Clark – Toronto School of Theology and U. of Toronto
Andrew M. Davis - Claremont School of Theology
Ben Greenfield - Yeshivat Chovevei Torah
Dan Hanson - Luther Seminary
Cathal Kelleher, C.S.C. - U. of Notre Dame Moreau Seminary
Julia S. McStravog – La Salle University
Mary Gardiner Nickle - Princeton University
Heidi Thorsen Oxford - Union Theological Seminary
Peter Santandreu - Christ the King Seminary
Matt Stone - Seminary of the Southwest
Alexandra Tranvik - Duke Divinity School

LAW
Nina R. W. Cohen - Yale Law School
Ama Ruth Francis - Yale Law School
Martha Camarillo Freston - UC Berkeley School of Law
Anna Grilley - U. of Wisconsin Law School
Rachel High Jennings - UNC School of Law
Ben Lazarus - NYU School of Law
Usman Liaquat – U. of Pennsylvania Law School
Kristin Marshall - UVA School of Law
Kristina Moore - CWRU School of Law
Duncan Pickard - Stanford Law School
Joelle Portzer - UNC School of Law
Dan Tully - Stanford Law School

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