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CALL FOR BOOK REVIEWS

Stance seeks book reviews by current undergraduates of monographs, anthologies, and secondary sources in any area of philosophy.

Submission Guidelines

Reviews may be 750-1000 words. Reviewed books must be currently in print and not part of public domain. Stance prefers reviews of books used in a class the reviewer is currently taking or has recently completed.

Submission Procedures:

- Manuscripts should be in Microsoft Word (.doc) format and sent as an attachment to ballstatestance@gmail.com
- Manuscripts should be double-spaced (including quotations, excerpts, and footnotes)
- The right margin should not be justified
- To facilitate our anonymous review process, submissions are to be prepared for anonymous review. Include a cover page with the author's name, affiliation, title, and email address. Papers, including footnotes, should have no other identifying markers.
- Footnotes should be kept to a minimum and when used should follow Chicago Manual of Style. Examples are on our website under Notes for Contributors.
- Please use American spellings and punctuation, except when directly quoting a source that has followed British style.

Recommended Format

A good book review provides a quick overview of the main ideas in the text. Also helpful is an account of how the book fits into or engages an on-going philosophical debate. While not required, a compare and contrast approach can be useful to demonstrate both the main ideas and unique positioning of a book. An overview for a book review is good when it is broad and concise, including all and only the main points of the text. A good book review evaluates the text and deploys an argument regarding how successful the book is in achieving its own goals. This may, but need not, involve substantive disagreement with the argumentation found in the text. Many reviews will be best when they (i) begin with any important background information (e.g. author biography), (ii) provide a summary of the contents of the book, and (iii) end with the reviewer's evaluation. The voice in book reviews must be obvious; readers should easily differentiate between the ideas of the book's author from those of the reviewer. Book reviews for Stance should be accessible to the widest audience possible without sacrificing clarity or rigor. Avoid unnecessary technical or elevated language.

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