

# PHILOSOPHY 301

*Spring 2021*

*Symposium on the Confucian Dao*

Friday, January 29

Questions to discuss:

1. To what extent would you agree with the Confucian view that the way (*dao* 道) is found by developing the personal character (*de* 德) of human beings (*ren* 人)? To what extent would you agree with this Confucian notion of the self as something that needs to be cultivated?
2. To what extent would you agree with the notion that our leaders should be role models (*junzi* 君子) for the people to follow?
3. To what extent would you agree with the importance of human-heartedness (*ren* 仁) in developing the character (*de* 德) of a good (*shan* 善) person?
4. To what extent would you agree with the importance of ritual propriety (*li* 禮) in developing the character (*de* 德) of a good (*shan* 善) person?
5. To what extent would you agree with the importance of appropriateness (*yi* 義) in developing the character (*de* 德) of a good (*shan* 善) person?
6. To what extent would you agree with the importance of filial piety (*xiao* 孝) in developing the character (*de* 德) of a good (*shan* 善) person?
7. To what extent would you agree with the importance of proper terminology (*zheng ming* 正名) in developing the character (*de* 德) of a good (*shan* 善) person?