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Title:

*Schelerian Shame, Humean Pride*

Abstract:

In my talk, I will first attempt to use Gabriel Taylor and Anthony Steinbock's theory to briefly characterize the Schelerian family of descriptions of shame as a positive emotion, and their view that its opposite, pride, in its morally relevant meaning of an emotion of self-assessment or self-revealing emotion, is a negative emotion. With these descriptions, I want to contrast Hume's theory of pride (and Hume's theory of the coherence of the different meanings of the word pride) and to lay out why Hume considered shame a negative emotion (and which instances of shame he considered positive) and what led him to claim that its emotional opposite, pride, is a positive emotion (and which instances of pride he considered negative).