



# Fachbereich Philosophie

Fachbereichskolloquium  
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18:15 bis 19:45, G 307

Im Rahmen des PHILOSOPHISCHEN KOLLOQUIUMS findet am **Donnerstag, 3. Dezember**, folgender Vortrag statt:

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## Explaining forgiveness

The philosophical literature on forgiveness displays attention to two, apparently very different, broad kinds of forgiveness with apparently very different normative structures. On the one hand there is earned or 'merited' forgiveness, which is typically conceived as justified through the wrongdoer's remorse or repentance; and on the other hand there is unearned, 'unconditional', or 'elective' forgiveness, where no such remorse is required. Some regard these as competing conceptions of forgiveness proper; others are pluralists about forgiveness, regarding both as capturing a genuine, highly distinctive kind of forgiveness.

I shall offer an account that accommodates pluralism, but which delivers more explanatory content as to how the two forms of forgiveness are related. I aim to reveal that, contrary to appearances, their superficially different normative aspects derive from a fundamentally shared normative structure that is determined by the basic point and purpose of forgiveness in human relations.

Alle Interessierten, insbesondere auch Studierende, sind herzlich eingeladen.

nächster Vortrag 17.12.  
Sophie Gibb, Durham University  
Defending Dualism