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2010 NEWCOMBE DISSERTATION FELLOWS ANNOUNCED BY WOODROW WILSON FOUNDATION

*Doctoral candidates working on religious and ethical values
are 30th group named in prestigious fellowship program*

PRINCETON, N.J.—What are the commonalities between science and ethics? How do fringe banking institutions, like currency exchanges and check-cashing outlets, create their own moral economy? What are the moral foundations of intragroup violence in South Africa?

The 2010 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellows are addressing these and many other questions. The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation has announced the selection of 20 Newcombe Fellows for the upcoming 2010-11 academic year, all doctoral candidates in the final year of dissertation work on religious and ethical values. Each Newcombe Fellow receives a 12-month award of \$25,000.

This year's Fellows, chosen from a recordbreaking pool of 670 applicants, represent six fields of study, including philosophy, history, religion/theology, anthropology, sociology, and American studies, and come from 18 institutions nationwide. The year's cohort is the 30th group of Fellows named since the program's inception in 1981. *(See next page for the full list of the 2010 Fellows.)*

Funded by The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation (www.newcombefoundation.org), the Newcombe Fellowship (www.woodrow.org/newcombe) is the nation's largest and most prestigious such award for Ph.D. candidates in the humanities and social sciences addressing questions of ethical and religious values. The Newcombe Fellowship has supported more than 1,000 doctoral candidates, many of whom are now noted faculty members at colleges and universities throughout the U.S. and abroad.

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The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation (www.newcombefoundation.org) continues Mrs. Newcombe's lifelong interest in supporting students pursuing degrees in higher education. It has awarded scholarship and fellowship grants totaling over \$50 million since 1981.

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation (www.woodrow.org) identifies and develops the best minds for the nation's most important challenges. In these areas of challenge, the Foundation awards fellowships to enrich human resources, works to improve public policy, and assists organizations and institutions in enhancing practice in the U.S. and abroad.

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The 2010 Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellows

Uygar Abaci • Philosophy, University of Pennsylvania

Kant's Critical Theory of Modality: A Basis for a Moral Metaphysics

Avraham Astor • Sociology, University of Michigan

The Social and Spatial Origins of Mosque Contention in Spain

Emily Baran • History, University of North Carolina

Faith on the Margins: Jehovah's Witnesses in the Soviet Union and Post-Soviet Russia, Ukraine, and Moldova, 1945-Present

Lydia Barnett • History, Stanford University

The Living Rock: Natural, Human, and Sacred Histories of the Earth, 1680-1750

Matthew Bowman • History, Georgetown University

The Urban Pulpit: Evangelicals and the City in New York, 1880-1930

Adam Cureton • Philosophy, University of North Carolina

On the Nature, Grounds and Limits of Social Moral Rules

Nicole Eaton • History, University of California, Berkeley

Königsberg - Kaliningrad: Revolution on the German-Soviet Frontier, 1938-1950

Tayana Hardin • Program in American Culture, University of Michigan

Rituals of Return: Remembrance and the Sacred in African-American Women's Twentieth Century Dance

Jeffrey Helmreich • Philosophy, University of California, Los Angeles

More than Words: Stances as an Alternative Model for Apologies, Forgiveness and Similar Speech Acts

Jason Hickel • Anthropology, University of Virginia

Citizenship and Sabotage: Moral Order and Political Conflict in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa

Mary Hirschfeld • Theology, University of Notre Dame

Virtuous Consumption in a Dynamic Economy: A Thomistic Engagement with Neoclassical Economics

Tiffany Hodge • Religion, Emory University

Piety in Practice: Seeking out Religious Authority in Rural Bangladesh

Ranin Kazemi • History, Yale University

We Are Not Indians or Egyptians: Shi'i Populism in the Making of the Anti-Regie Tobacco Movement in Qajar Iran, 1889-1896

Katherine Miller • Anthropology, University of California, San Diego

A Spiritual Development: Morality, Islam and International Development in the Hunza Valley, N. Pakistan

Stephen Nuñez • Sociology, Stanford University

Moral Economy in Credit Markets: Fringe Bank Usage among the Urban Poor

SherAli Tareen • Religion, Duke University

Tradition, Reform and Education: The Islamic Seminary of Deoband

Kedron Thomas • Anthropology, Harvard University

The Ethics of Piracy: Intellectual Property Rights in Post-Conflict Guatemala

Rebecca Tuuri • History, Rutgers University

To “Build Bridges of Understanding”: the Activist “Female Ethic” of Wednesdays in Mississippi

Erika Vause • History, University of Chicago

In the Red and in the Black: The Culture of Commercial Credit and Debt in Post-Revolutionary France

Kenneth Walden • Philosophy, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

The Unity of Knowledge: Science, Ethics, and the Structure of Inquiry

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