

Cosponsorship Information - The International Center for Ethics, Justice, and Public Life

Cosponsorship by the Ethics Center may include publicizing to the Ethics Center community and/or providing financial support. Cosponsorship amounts are typically up to \$250. The Center can occasionally provide more support for an event closely related to the core themes of the Center's work. We particularly welcome requests for cosponsorship of academic events, including guest speakers in class sessions that are open to the public. (Two or more classes may combine for a guest speaker and request additional funding.)

Guidelines for Ethics Center Cosponsorship

- Events should be related to the core mission and themes of the Ethics Center (see below).
- Programs that reflect the basic principles of the Ethics Center — i.e., links between scholarship and practice, the influence of the arts, connections between disciplines, etc — are particularly encouraged.
- We cosponsor a broad range of events such as those with a rigorous scholarly emphasis, others with aesthetic content, and those that invite the perspectives of activists or practitioners.
- The Center strives to stimulate thinking and discussion. We value events that present a variety of viewpoints, or invite consideration of a point of view, rather than strictly advocate for a particular point of view.
- All cosponsored events must be open to the entire Brandeis community. Off-campus events will not be considered.
- Through cosponsorship, we seek to support several different groups on campus rather than support multiple events from a single group.
- We do not cosponsor fundraisers.
- It's important that the Ethics Center be listed as a cosponsor on all publicity materials. Therefore, requests submitted after publicity has already gone out will not be considered. The Event Advisory Committee meets monthly to consider requests. Cosponsorship decisions are typically sent within 10 days after the deadline for receiving proposals. (Visit www.brandeis.edu/ethics and click on "Events" for proposal deadlines.)
- The event must be posted on the Brandeis online calendar.
- After the event, sponsors must complete a short form giving us feedback about the event. This includes a brief summary of the event, whether the goals were achieved, and what the sponsor would do differently to make it more successful.

Ethics Center Mission statement:

The mission of the International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life is to develop effective responses to conflict and injustice by offering innovative approaches to coexistence, strengthening the work of international courts, and encouraging ethical practice in civic and professional life.

Ethics Center Principles

1. **An international focus.** The International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life is committed to exploring issues of ethics and social justice across the globe, sensitive to the nuances of cultural difference on moral questions. The Center's programs and activities are designed to place regional issues in their international context through the inclusion of participants around the world.
2. **The public square.** The Center explores significant questions that are contested in the public arenas of civic discourse, politics, community organization, professional life, and the arts.
3. **Across the disciplines.** Consideration of ethics and social justice belongs not only to the philosophers, but to experts across the spectrum of the liberal arts. A hallmark of the work of the Center is the involvement of scholars and students from many parts of Brandeis University and other institutions.
4. **A bridge between scholarship and practice.** Enhancing dialogue between the worlds of the academy and the professions is a central aim of the Center. Events and activities sponsored by the Ethics Center involve scholars and practitioners working together.
5. **The perspective of the arts.** The International Center for Ethics, Justice and Public Life operates under the conviction that the world's artists offer compelling visions and expressions of complex moral questions. Conferences and public activities integrate the perspective of artists with those of scholars and policy makers.
6. **Connections to communities.** Through joint activities, fellowships, and the Brandeis Seminars program, the Center is committed to developing partnerships between Brandeis University and community organizations to further the impact of the Center's work at a grassroots level.

Questions?

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