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Welcome to *Akadīmía Filosofía*, a philosophical publication produced by the students of Fordham University's Philosophy Department. It is my distinct pleasure to present the following papers as the inaugural issue of what we hope will be a continuing effort to foster philosophical thought and intellectual discussion in the Fordham community and in the greater world. This issue features publications from some of the brightest minds Fordham University has to offer. Discussions range from the traditional problem of evil and the accounts proposed by Augustine and Aristotle to whether or not war can ever be justified, from an analysis of the metaphysical categories Aristotle proposes to organize our world to the existential courage we need in facing a world that is always threatened by those who wish to instill fear among those who call themselves free. We are pleased to feature papers from a range of classes, containing several papers by graduating seniors, but also work from freshman taking their first steps into the philosophical world. We would also like to thank the Philosophy Department for introducing us to the knowledge we exhibit here and for guiding us along the path to knowledge, The Fordham Club for funding our printed version, Jeremy Watson and Nancy Stout for their aid in establishing the online publication, Seth Knight and Fordham Duplicating for helping produce the printed edition, and Dr. Tress for assisting in making this publication a reality. It is our hope that by providing this forum for discussion that students will be encouraged to develop and share their ideas with the world. Only by exercising the gift of human rationality and discourse can we better understand our world and create a more knowledgeable, egalitarian, peaceful society.

“Philosophy begins in wonder.”

-Socrates

-Michael S. Dauber, Editor in Chief.