



New Directions in Philosophy of Suffering

What is suffering? How does it differ from pain, depression, and other negatively valenced states? Does suffering have special ethical significance? How does it interact with identity and integrity? What is the relationship between suffering and desire? This one-day workshop will explore new philosophical and historical work on these and related topics.

Planned speakers include Nanette Ryan (National University Singapore), Louise Richardson-Self (University of Tasmania), Caroline West (University of Sydney), Garrett Cullity (ANU), Colin Klein (ANU), Bronwyn Finnigan (ANU), and Eamon Little (ANU). For a full schedule and titles, see: <https://www.colinklein.org/workshops/SufferingProgram.pdf>

The workshop will be Friday 6 Nov 2026, from 9am-5pm, in Lectorial 2 of the RSSS Building (Ground floor, 146 Ellery Crescent)

Attendance is free, but for catering purposes please register by email to colin.klein@anu.edu.au

