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Hugh LaFollette, PhD, Cole Chair in Ethics at USF St. Petersburg, was selected as the editor-in-chief of the *International Encyclopedia of Ethics*, a new publication that will be a comprehensive and authoritative print and electronic ethics resource. Published by Wiley-Blackwell, it will cover major philosophical traditions and entries will be written by highly respected thinkers from around the world. The entries will discuss topics, movements, arguments and figures in normative ethics, Metaethics and practical ethics.

Invitations began in September and authors from five continents and more than a dozen countries have already agreed to contribute. So far more than 150 authors have agreed to write. The list of contributors should grow significantly to more than 700 authors representing more than 20 countries.

Executive Editor for Social Sciences and Humanities at Wiley-Blackwell, Jeff Dean, said, "It takes a rare person to be able to really do this project well as an editor-in-chief. I sought Hugh out because I've worked with him in the past and he's well regarded. He's intellectually and pragmatically a great person to work with."

When completed, the encyclopedia will have at least nine volumes totaling at least three million words.

"Ethics is increasingly a point of reference in a lot of different academic fields," Dean said. "There isn't as it stands a single broad-based reference resource to lay out ethical theory and how theory is applied."

The electronic version will hyperlink to other entries and link to electronic editions of Blackwell Companions and Guides. The electronic version will be regularly updated, making IEE the preferred resource for any professional, layperson or student wanting to know more about ethics.

LaFollette recruited two associate editors and a 24-member editorial board made up of scholars from more than 20 universities from around the world. The two associate editors are Sarah Stroud from McGill University and John Deigh from the University of Texas. Deigh most recently served as editor of the leading journal *Ethics* for 10 years.

"I am honored to be asked by Wiley-Blackwell to edit this important work," LaFollette said. "Although the final product won't be finished for several years, it is creating a buzz within the profession. I have received a number of emails from professors wanting to know if there is any way they can be involved."

Learn more about the *International Encyclopedia of Ethics* through the project’s [Web site](http://www.iseusf.org).