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"MANY VIEWS, MANY TRUTHS, ONE TRUTH: A JAIN-INSPIRED APPROACH TO THE DIVERSITY OF WORLDVIEWS

THE SURJIT SINGH LECTURE IN COMPARATIVE RELIGIOUS THOUGHT AND CULTURE

As human beings committed to diverse worldviews, how do we learn to navigate the fact that our neighbors have beliefs and values that differ from ours? Is agreement necessary in order for there to be peace? Or is there a way for us to value difference without compromising on our own most deeply held beliefs? Are there certain beliefs that are incompatible with peaceful co-existence? In this lecture, Jeffery Long will explore a way to approach these difficult questions. Taking his inspiration from both Jain and Hindu traditions, Long will explore the limits of religious pluralism and the role of philosophy in articulating a way forward for conflicted humanity.



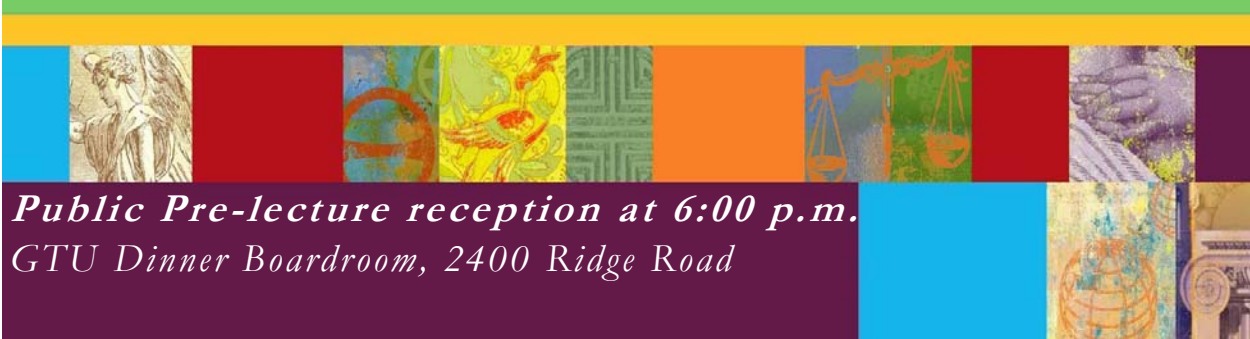
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