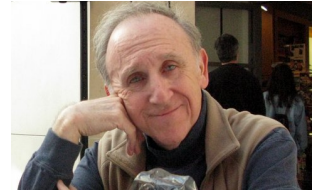


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### **His books include:**

Confronting Injustice: Moral History and Political Theory (2013)

Rights, Welfare and Mill's Moral Theory (1994)

Moral Aspects of Legal Theory: Essays on Law, Justice, and Political Responsibility (1993) — also published in a Spanish edition

Ethics and the Rule of Law (1984) — also published in Spanish, Portuguese, and Polish editions

In the Interest of the Governed: a Study in Bentham's Philosophy of Utility and Law (1973, 1991)

Forms and Limits of Utilitarianism (1965)

### **He has edited two anthologies:**

Mill's Utilitarianism: Critical Essays (1998) and Rights (1979).

**He has also published many articles in moral, legal, and political philosophy; the more recent ones**

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“Reparations for Slavery and Jim Crow, Its Assumptions and Implications,” forthcoming in *Oxford Handbook on Philosophy and Race*, ed. N. Zack (Oxford University Press).

“The Social Dimension of Rights,” *Journal of Social Philosophy*, 44 (2013) 43-50

“The Legal Entrenchment of Illegality,” in *The Legacy of H.L.A. Hart*, ed. M. Kramer, et al. (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), pp. 29-43.

“From Politics to Philosophy,” in *Legal Philosophy – Five Questions*, ed. M.E.J. Nielsen (New York: Automatic Press/VIP, 2007), pp. 153-169.

Dr. Lyons’ courses are normally cross-listed with the School of Law.