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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University Assistant Professor of Philosophy Mary Coleman has been awarded a Faculty Fellowship from the Murphy Institute's Center for Ethics and Public Affairs at Tulane University.

During the yearlong fellowship, Coleman will work on a book tentatively titled *How to Act*. "In *How to Act*, I will argue that significant truths about which actions we ought to perform follow from the nature of action itself," said Coleman. She also looks forward to participating in a speaker series hosted by The Center for Ethics and Public Affairs, as well as interacting with other researchers on related projects. "The informal interactions with researchers and the opportunity to formally present my research will be terrifically invaluable," said Coleman.

Established in 2001, The Center for Ethics and Public Affairs is devoted to the social and ethical dimensions of public affairs with an emphasis on the scholarly discussions of ethics and moral political philosophy across a wide range of disciplines. The center encourages teaching and research on ethics, moral and political philosophy, and ethical issues, offering up to three Faculty Fellowships per academic year.

Coleman received a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Kenyon College in 1991. She went on to earn a master's degree in philosophy at Tufts University and a doctorate in philosophy at Harvard University.

"I am thrilled to be spending the academic year in New Orleans, one of the most culturally interesting and important cities in the world," said Coleman, "and having the uninterrupted time to devote to my own research will make me better able to teach and advise IWU students."



Mary Coleman

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