"There is no method of reasoning more common, and yet none more blameable, than, in philosophical disputes, to endeavour the refutation of any hypothesis, by a pretence of its dangerous consequences to religion and morality. When any opinion leads to absurdities, it is certainly false; but it is not certain that an opinion is false, because it is of dangerous consequence"

-- (David Hume, Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding, VIII.II)

Are there still entrenched beliefs that philosophy can and should challenge?

Are there topics that are beyond the pale of philosophical inquiry or positions that should not be embraced lest one indirectly lend credence to a noxious cause?

What exactly is the social responsibility of a philosopher?

Officer Elections will be held at the beginning of the meeting

Lunch will be provided

All are warmly invited to attend: You need not be a Philosophy major or minor!!

Thursday, September 27, 2012
12:30 – 1:45pm
3305 Boylan Hall