Founded in 1976, the Ethics and Public Policy Center is Washington, D.C.’s premier institute dedicated to applying the Judeo-Christian moral tradition to critical issues of public policy.

From the Cold War to the threat from radical Islam, from disputes over the role of religion in public life to battles over the nature of the family, EPPC and its scholars have consistently sought to defend and promote our nation’s founding principles: respect for the inherent dignity of the human person, individual freedom and responsibility, justice, the rule of law, and limited government.

“The Ethics and Public Policy Center is a wonderful resource for creative and savvy policy proposals that are faithful to America’s founding principles. I regularly draw on the broad-ranging expertise of EPPC scholars.”

Paul Ryan
Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives
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I’ve had the privilege of serving as EPPC’s President since 2004, and I’m very proud of the great team of scholars we’ve assembled and of the impact we’re having across the broad array of important issues our nation faces.

Sincerely,

EPPC President Ed Whelan has served in positions of responsibility in all three branches of the federal government—as a law clerk to Justice Antonin Scalia, as general counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee, and as principal deputy in the Office of Legal Counsel at the Department of Justice. He is an expert on constitutional law and the judicial-confirmation process.

Ed Whelan offers “commentary [that] infuses national debates over judicial nominees, Supreme Court ethics and appellate court decisions.”

NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL
On naming Mr. Whelan one of its “Champions and Visionaries” in the practice of law in Washington, D.C.
Our Distinguished Senior Fellow George Weigel holds EPPC’s William E. Simon Chair in Catholic Studies. A pre-eminent Catholic thinker, Mr. Weigel is the author of the internationally acclaimed two-volume biography of Pope St. John Paul II (*Witness to Hope* and *The End and the Beginning*), along with two dozen other books and countless essays in a wide range of domestic and foreign publications. As senior Vatican analyst for NBC News, Mr. Weigel offers informed commentary on the Catholic Church for an international audience of millions.

With the assistance of EPPC Fellow Stephen P. White, Mr. Weigel directs the Tertio Millennio Seminar on the Free Society, an annual three-week seminar in Kraków, Poland, on Catholic social teaching and the thought of Pope St. John Paul II. The eight hundred TMS graduates from North America and central and eastern Europe form a potent international network of young leaders in law, government, business, and the academy.

Working alongside Mr. Weigel, EPPC Fellow Mary Rice Hasson has launched EPPC’s Catholic Women’s Forum, amplifying the voices of Catholic women—leading Catholic professionals, scholars, and other experts—on crucial issues of today in accord with Church teachings.
DEEPENING UNDERSTANDING

At the heart of EPPC for more than 30 years, EPPC Vice President Michael Cromartie studies the role of evangelicals in American public life. He also works to strengthen reporting and commentary on how religious believers, religious convictions, and religiously grounded moral arguments affect American politics.

Twice a year, Mr. Cromartie convenes a select group of leading journalists and distinguished scholars at EPPC’s Faith Angle Forum in Miami Beach. These two-day conferences, distant from D.C.’s ideological battlefields, foster in-depth exploration of some of the most crucial issues facing our country.

“If there’s any institution I’ve seen that has had a huge leverage point in American culture, it’s the Faith Angle Forum.”

David Brooks
EPPC has emerged as the center of gravity of an important group of conservative thinkers that has been labeled the “reform conservatives.” EPPC scholars are working to ensure that conservatives understand and address the concerns of working-class and middle-class America and that conservatives offer a concrete agenda that renews Americans’ faith in free enterprise and our constitutional system. We are aiming to replace a failing liberal welfare state with a lean and responsive 21st-century government worthy of a free, diverse, and innovative society.

Hailed by the New York Times as “one of the two or three most influential young writers in politics today” and by Politico as one of the leaders of “the new intellectual right,” EPPC Hertog Fellow Yuval Levin shapes the conservative agenda through his essays and the acclaimed policy journal National Affairs that he founded. Mr. Levin was awarded a 2013 Bradley Prize.

As an adviser in the past three Republican presidential administrations, EPPC Senior Fellow Peter Wehner brings a wealth of institutional knowledge and practical insight to his monthly New York Times column and his regular writings in Commentary magazine and other venues. Forbes magazine featured Mr. Wehner on a short list of conservatism’s leading “educators and practitioners of first principles,” describing him as a “prolific, daily provider of concise, reasoned, artful analysis and argument.”
Variously described as a “guru” and “one of the Republican Party’s most influential voices on health-care policy,” EPPC Senior Fellow James C. Capretta writes with keen insight on Obamacare, Medicare, and other areas of federal entitlement policy. With extensive experience in the legislative and executive branches, Mr. Capretta is sought after by journalists and policymakers alike for his observations and analysis.

EPPC Senior Fellow Henry Olsen is one of the foremost analysts of the electoral challenges facing modern American conservatism. He offers commentary on American politics and conservative principles at his National Review Online blog and in frequent television and radio appearances, and is the co-author of the new book The Four Faces of the Republican Party.

“Within every wise public policy there is a hard kernel of ethical understanding. The Ethics and Public Policy Center helps keep Washington conscious of and conscientious about the kernels.”

George F. Will

“The Ethics and Public Policy Center plays a crucial role as a center from which radiate first-rate ideas and critiques concerning political, social, and individual morality.”

Irving Kristol
An award-winning pundit and bestselling author, EPPC Senior Fellow Mona Charen brings her sharp insights to bear on the biggest debates in Washington. Her syndicated column appears in newspapers throughout the United States.

EPPC Lehrman Fellow in Economics John D. Mueller has decades of experience at the intersection of economic theory and praxis. His Redeeming Economics: Rediscovering the Missing Element was hailed as “a book that could fundamentally reground the discipline of economics and reorient the study of political economy.”

“EPPC is simply a great collection of talented scholars who engage with the most important issues like no other think tank does … Our friends here defend a moral authority that is external, definable, and transcendent, a role unique to EPPC.”

Kate O’Beirne
Commentator and Activist
As the former chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities and an accomplished scholar of art and history, EPPC Senior Fellow Bruce Cole brings an authoritative perspective to key debates over the teaching of American history and civics and the importance of cultural memory. He was appointed by President Obama in 2013 to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission.

EPPC Senior Fellow Stanley Kurtz is leading the charge against the College Board’s left-leaning American and European history frameworks, helping to focus public attention on attempts to indoctrinate students through a curriculum skewed by identity politics. Mr. Kurtz has also been a key conservative voice in debates over urban-suburban policy and President Obama’s redistributionist agenda.

EPPC Resident Scholar James Bowman is an incisive critic of books, television, and films. He has been movie critic of The American Spectator since 1990 and media critic of The New Criterion since 1993. He is the author of *Honor: A History* and *Media Madness: The Corruption of Our Political Culture*.

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Charles Krauthammer
Syndicated Columnist
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The author of dozens of nonfiction and fiction books on topics such as art, music, architecture, conservation, philosophy, and religion, EPPC Senior Fellow Roger Scruton is a lion of conservative thought and, according to the Weekly Standard, “England’s most accomplished conservative since Edmund Burke.” For his daring work in support of Eastern European dissidents under Communist Party rule, he was awarded the Czech Republic’s Medal of Merit (First Class) by President Václav Havel.

EPPC Fellow Pascal-Emmanuel Gobry, based in Paris, is a prolific writer and a rising star among conservatives. He was named to Forbes magazine’s “30 Under 30: Law & Policy” list in 2016.