Philosophy of Law

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Lawyers, judges, and legislators ask philosophical questions: 'is that a sound legal argument?', 'would a fair-minded judge interpret the limits of executive power in that way?' or even 'what *should* the law say'?

In philosophy of law we focus on connections between law and issues like objectivity, rationality, justice, rights, and fairness. This course will examine these issues by examining legal cases concerning: freedom of religion, immigration, the legal rights of for-profit corporations, and racial inequalities in criminal law.

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