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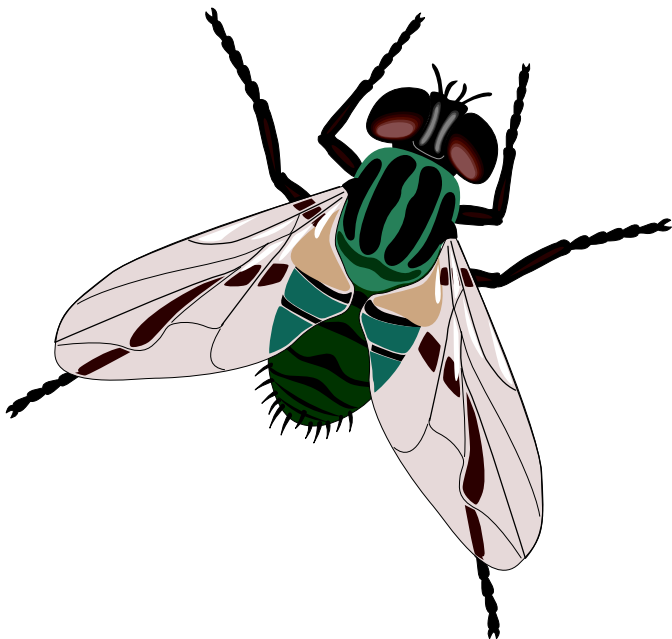
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A Lecture by

Victoria Davion

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and Pesky Flies:

Biocentric Individualism Revisited



Biocentric individualism, the position that all life has intrinsic value, is of no practical help in policy making contexts. Examples commonly used in discussions of biocentric individualism are themselves alienating and threaten to make environmental philosophy appear irrelevant to policy decisions. Hence, both biocentric individualism and typical discussions of it are problematic for those wishing to make environmental philosophy useful in policy. A recent article by Jason Kaval, in which he attempts to defend biocentric individualism, demonstrates these points.

Friday, February 27 in EESAT 125 at 2:00 p.m.

Davion is a professor of philosophy at the [University of Georgia](#). She is the founding, and current editor of the journal [Ethics and the Environment](#). Her research areas are: ethics, including environmental ethics and feminist ethics, and political philosophy.

The lecture is free and open to the public. For special accommodation, contact us at 565-2266 or philosophy@unt.edu.