



Australasian Society for Continental Philosophy

ASCP Community Guidelines for Communication

These values guide the responsible use of ASCP communications, interactions with and on ASCP accounts (by the Executive, members, and associates), and the moderation of ASCP social platforms. Ideally these will allow the community to hold itself consistently accountable in online spaces, become ever more inclusive, and guide quick intervention when appropriate.

1. *Bullying and Harassment.* There will be no tolerance for bullying or harassment. Messages or posts repeatedly targeting a single person to intimidate or humiliate will be removed and the offender banned or blocked. Any message or post blackmailing, threatening, doxxing, or promoting hateful speech will be removed and the offender will be banned or blocked. In severe cases recourse to §4.8 of the constitution may be appropriate.

2. *Privilege, Trust, and Bad Faith.* Those persons in positions of social privilege and/or entrusted with administrative and professional power must always consider the impact of their messages and posts. It is not acceptable to intimidate, displace, undermine, frustrate, or devalue vulnerable individuals or groups by leveraging the security and trust (or relative power) of your position under the guise of the practice of philosophy. Reflect before you post or respond, be conscious of how your words and actions can indirectly contribute to harm, and act with integrity.

3. *Collegiality and Solidarity.* Authentic engagement and peer advocacy are key values of a supportive community. Take your peers' assertions seriously, even if they are expressed in a form that is not the norm for you. Supporting your peers and being accountable involves recognising the claims of others, making an effort to understand one another, showing up for one another, and acknowledging your own capacity for mistakes.

4. *Advertising and Promotions.* Part of the purpose of the ASCP is to promote members and to give members a platform for promoting themselves and their activities. However, *affiliate links* and *paid promotion* (that is, if you earn directly from advertising) are not permitted and offending posts will be deleted.

5. *Spam and Content.* Posts and messages should be relevant to the Australasian philosophy community. Amongst the ASCP community, posts often concern news, events, and publications, but this is not necessarily always the case. For posts that fall outside these categories (such as free resources), repeatedly posting the same content or comments, posting content irrelevant to philosophy (such as purely personal posts), or posting nonsense text (and other spam) will result in the posts being deleted and the poster being issued a warning. Avoid posting clickbait and please also remember that ASCP social media platforms are not inspirational quotes pages.

If you believe these values and principles to be violated, contact the current ASCP Communications Officer or the ASCP Executive at [ascp.executive\[at\]gmail.com](mailto:ascp.executive[at]gmail.com)