## ETHICS CENTER SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. JULY 23, 2013 – August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Each summer the UCI Interdisciplinary Center for the Scientific Study of Ethics and Morality runs a month-long internship program for graduate students, UCI undergraduate students, exceptional high school students, and local community students, from other colleges or universities, who are home for the summer. This summer the internship will begin Tuesday, July 23rd and end Thursday, August 15th. Student interns will meet two times a week with the Director to work on two programs: the ethical games project and a project on gender equality in academia.

The Ethical Games Project. The first project will focus on how to construct a video game or phone app that teaches ethics via games. Students will conduct some traditional library research on the concepts of ethics and how to best measure ethics, e.g., ethical sensitivity, good acts, thoughtfulness, etc. Student interns also will be trained to conduct interviews. Each student then will conduct an interview two different people: (1) an altruist, to ask what makes altruists different from the rest of us, and (2) an elderly person, to determine whether empathic involvement with another increases the understanding of what it is like to be old. Students who are 18 years or older can apply for funding; students younger than 18 may participate in the program but in a more limited way.

Aphrodite in Academia. The second project analyzes gender equality in academia via surveys, questionnaires, interviews, and social media. Interns will be taught how to develop, circulate, and analyze a survey questionnaire of young people (students 18 or older) and how to interview successful college and university faculty and administrators to ask about their experiences with gender equality and their suggestions for improving the situation for women and other minorities. Again, students who are 18 years or older can apply for funding; students younger than 18 may participate in the program but in a more limited way. All students who complete the internship successfully will be given a letter of recommendation for use in applying to college, grad/law/professional school. The best interns will be named Francisco Ayala Scholars.

All student-interns may participate in parts of the program but only students 18 or over may conduct interviews. Funding is available (\$500-\$1000) for 20 students. If you are interested, please send a short description of yourself -- GPA, activities, interests -- to Sandy Cushman by May 15th and we will try to fit you into the group. We know students are anxious to finalize plans so we will do rolling admissions beginning March 15th. No resumes will be considered before March 15<sup>th</sup>. All resumes should be sent via email attachment to SCushman@UCI.Edu.

Thank you for your interest in the Ethics Center. If you have questions, please contact Sandy Cushman or email the Director at krmonroe@uci.edu.