



Dear FASPE Fellows, Friends, and Faculty,

This edition of our newsletter includes details about our 2017 programs, the FASPE faculty, regional alumni events, the annual FASPE Reunion & Symposium, recruiting for 2018 and our end-of-year appeal.

To find the latest news about FASPE, please visit our new website at [www.FASPE-Ethics.org](http://www.FASPE-Ethics.org), and look for us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

And if you'd like to make a contribution to support FASPE, [you can always do so online](#).

Sincerely,  
Thorin R. Tritter  
Executive Director

## NEW FASPE WEBSITE

As of October, FASPE has a new website and a new web address, [www.faspe-ethics.org](http://www.faspe-ethics.org). The new site has an updated look and is adaptable across platforms. In addition to providing information on FASPE and its programs, the site now features regularly updated links to news items related to FASPE's core mission. Work by or news on our Fellows is also highlighted on the site. Please make a note of our new address and if you have not yet had a chance to take a look at the new site, please do so.

## 2017 PROGRAMS



FASPE ran five programs during the summer of 2017, working with Business, Journalism, Law, Medical and Seminary Fellows. (You can see a list of our Fellows on our [website](#).) As in previous years, the Business, Journalism and Law Fellows traveled together, formally starting their respective programs in Berlin on Sunday, May 21. This group, totaling 46 people when including faculty and staff, spent the next 12 days together, participating in seminars, site visits and interdisciplinary discussion.

The Medical and Seminary Fellows met at the end of June, gathering in Berlin on Sunday, June 18 and traveling together until Friday, June 30. They faced a logistical hurdle when the flight from Berlin to Krakow was cancelled at the last minute, but the group embraced alternate transportation and rallied together despite the challenge. Over the course of the 12-day program, Fellows learned about the actions of religious leaders and doctors during the Holocaust, and used that history as a launching point for discussions about contemporary ethical challenges facing these two professions today.

## 2017 FASPE FACULTY

The 2017 FASPE programs drew on the expertise of both veteran faculty and several new additions. FASPE Medical was led by Dr. Mark Mercurio and Dr. Jack Hughes, who brought the experience from a combined eight previous FASPE programs with them. Meanwhile our Business and Seminary programs were both led for the third consecutive year by the same pair of faculty: Mary Gentile and Markus Scholz in our Business program, and the Reverend Kevin Spicer, CSC, and Rabbi James Ponet in our Seminary program. On the other hand, FASPE Journalism was led by two new FASPE faculty members: Ilene Prusher, a veteran journalist and



**New FASPE Faculty in 2017**  
From left: Ilene Prusher (Journalism), Gabe Kahn (Journalism), Susan Carle (Law)

professor at Florida Atlantic University, and Gabriel Kahn, a professor at the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism. Our fifth program, FASPE Law, was taught by a team that included one returning faculty member and one new faculty member. Eric Muller, who returned for his fourth time leading our Law program, joined forces with Susan Carle, a leading legal ethicist at American University's Washington College of Law who joined FASPE for the first time. This wonderful team of faculty engaged our Fellows in formal seminars and informal discussions, inspiring them to think more critically about how to respond when faced with ethically challenging situations in the future.

## REGIONAL ALUMNI EVENTS

With the addition of the 2017 Fellows, FASPE now counts nearly 450 among our alumni. In addition to our annual reunion and symposium in New York, we are working to develop regional gatherings in cities where we have a sizable group of alumni and have created Facebook groups to help foster connections among these Fellows. Some of the first regional events took place this past summer. Our alumni in the San Francisco Bay area, for example, met in June to see a performance of "A Night with Janis Joplin" and then gathered again in November to have a conversation with Anne Jonas, a fellow at Berkeley's Center for Technology, Society and Policy, on the broad topic of "Justice in the Digital Age." The Boston area alumni also met over the summer for a social networking event. We are eager to foster other activities in cities such as Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington, DC. If you have an idea for a group activity in your area, please let the FASPE staff know and we will help work with you to promote it.

## NEW YORK CITY REUNION PLANS

Mark your calendars. The Annual FASPE Reunion & Symposium will be held at Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism on March 2-4, 2018. While full details are still being worked out, please plan to arrive in New York in the afternoon on Friday, March 2 to join the group for a walking tour and evening cocktails. We look forward to a full-day of seminars and

discussions on Saturday, followed by a poster session of alumni projects and further discussions in the morning on Sunday. We will conclude after lunch on Sunday to allow alumni to return home before the end of the weekend. As in the past few years, FASPE will provide financial assistance and shared hotel accommodations for the 2017 Fellows and those who participated in the FASPE programs five years ago, in 2013. We wish we could provide financial support to other cohorts, but we hope as many of you as possible will be able to be there.

## RECRUITING FOR 2018

FASPE is in the middle of its recruiting season. The application deadline for Medical and Seminary applications is December 19, 2017; the Journalism deadline is January 4, 2018; and the deadline for Business and Law applications is January 11, 2018. The online application is available on our website, under the “How to Apply” tab, and more information, including program PowerPoint presentations and last year’s schedules, can be found on each program page. If you know potential applicants in Business, Journalism, Law, Medical or Seminary, please direct them to our website or encourage them to email Thorin Tritter at [ttritter@faspe-ethics.org](mailto:ttritter@faspe-ethics.org).

## END-OF-YEAR CAMPAIGN

We hope that you will consider FASPE in your year-end giving and [make a gift to our annual campaign](#). A gift to FASPE will help impact the leaders of tomorrow. A contribution of any size will aid in preparations for the year ahead. Gifts can be made in support of a specific program or in the form of a general gift. As a way to maximize your gift, please also look into matching gift programs offered by your place of work.

We also wish to remind you that FASPE is participating in #GivingTuesday as part of its year-end campaign. For those who are not aware, #GivingTuesday is an international day of giving that harnesses the collective power of individuals, communities and organizations to encourage philanthropy during the holiday season. #GivingTuesday is always held on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, Black Friday and Cyber Monday, and this year will take place on November 28th, just two weeks away. We hope that you will think of FASPE on this day devoted to giving.

Last, as we near the end of this calendar year, we are eagerly anticipating all that is in store for 2018. We are currently planning our Annual Gala and Ethical Leadership Awards to be held on Monday, March 5 in New York City, the day after the end of the FASPE Reunion & Symposium. Stay tuned for more details.

## ALUMNI UPDATES

[Click here](#) to read the latest news on what FASPE Alumni have been up to.



## HAVE NEWS? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We are interested in hearing your news and would love to share alumni accomplishments and publicize FASPE-related events! Please send information to Thorin Tritter at [ttritter@FASPE-Ethics.org](mailto:ttritter@FASPE-Ethics.org).

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