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this is an introductory guide to the basic principles of constructing good arguments and criticizing bad ones it is nontechnical in its approach and is based on 150 key examples each discussed and evaluated in clear illustrative detail the author explains how errors fallacies and other key failures of argument occur he shows how correct uses of argument are based on sound argument strategies for reasoned persuasion and critical questions for responding among the many subjects covered are techniques of posing replying to and criticizing questions forms of valid argument relevance appeals to emotion personal attack uses and abuses of expert opinion problems in deploying statistics loaded terms equivocation and arguments from analogy

Informal Logic

1982

an first guide to both formal and informal logic

Informal Logic

1989-07-28

grennan bases his evaluation of arguments on two criteria logical adequacy and pragmatic adequacy he asserts that the common formal logic systems while logically sound are not very useful for evaluating everyday inferences which are almost all deductively invalid as stated turning to informal logic he points out that while more recent informal logic and critical thinking texts are superior in that their authors recognize the need to evaluate everyday arguments inductively they typically cover only inductive fallacies ignoring the inductively sound patterns frequently used in successful persuasion to redress these problems grennan introduces a variety of additional inductive patterns concluding that informal logic texts do not encourage precision in evaluating arguments grennan proposes a new argument evaluation procedure that expresses judgments of inferential strength in terms of probabilities based on theories of stephen toulmin roderick chisholm and john pollock his proposed system allows for a more precise judgment of the persuasive force of arguments

Informal Logic

1996-01-01

the handbook of the logic of argument and inference is an authoritative reference work in a single volume designed for the attention of senior undergraduates

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graduate students and researchers in all the leading research areas concerned with the logic of practical argument and inference after an introductory chapter the role of standard logics is surveyed in two chapters these chapters can serve as a mini course for interested readers in deductive and inductive logic or as a refresher then follow two chapters of criticism one the internal critique and the other the empirical critique the first deals with objections to standard logics as theories of argument and inference arising from the research programme in philosophical logic the second canvasses criticisms arising from work in cognitive and experimental psychology the next five chapters deal with developments in dialogue logic interrogative logic informal logic probability logic and artificial intelligence the last chapter surveys formal approaches to practical reasoning and anticipates possible future developments taken as a whole the handbook is a single volume indication of the present state of the logic of argument and inference at its conceptual and theoretical best future editions will periodically incorporate significant new developments

The Rise of Informal Logic

1996

in just the last twenty years there has arisen a strong interest especially among teachers of logic at the universities in teaching techniques of applied logical reasoning and critical thinking many universities are now stressing these skills at an introductory level and to meet the need informal logic has begun to form and grow as a discipline in its own right like all subjects it helps us to understand it if we can situate it in a context of historical development this collection of essays provides the readings required to understand the development of a subject whose historical origins have been so far little studied many of the chapters are written by scholars in philosophy and speech communication who are themselves leading contributors to the subject and their contemporary views throw light on how these earlier writers have influenced their thinking this dimension gives an added interest to the essays and indicates the way informal logic is currently evolving and seeking out its ancient historical origins

Informal Logic

1984

this set of 21 volumes originally published between 1955 and 1997 amalgamates several topics on the philosophy of education with a particular focus on religious education curriculum studies and critical thinking this collection of books from some of the leading scholars in the field provides a comprehensive overview of

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the subject and will be of particular interest to students of philosophy education and those undertaking teaching qualifications

Logic in Practice

2015-10-17

this volume is a collection of papers presented during methodological workshops organized by codesria its objective is to revitalize theory and methodology in field work in africa while contributing to the creation of a critical space hinged upon the mastery of epistemological bases which are indispensable to any scientific imagination

In Defense of Informal Logic

2014-01-15

a consideration of the theme of demons as teachers in early english literature

Informal Logic

1983-11-01

a timely and accessible guide to 100 of the most infamous logical fallacies in western philosophy helping readers avoid and detect false assumptions and faulty reasoning you ll love this book or you ll hate it so you re either with us or against us and if you re against us then you hate books no true intellectual would hate this book ever decide to avoid a restaurant because of one bad meal choose a product because a celebrity endorsed it or ignore what a politician says because she s not a member of your party for as long as people have been discussing conversing persuading advocating proselytizing pontificating or otherwise stating their case their arguments have been vulnerable to false assumptions and faulty reasoning drawing upon a long history of logical falsehoods and philosophical flubs bad arguments demonstrates how misguided arguments come to be and what we can do to detect them in the rhetoric of others and avoid using them ourselves fallacies or conclusions that don t follow from their premise are at the root of most bad arguments but it can be easy to stumble into a fallacy without realizing it in this clear and concise guide to good arguments gone bad robert arp steven barbone and michael bruce take readers through 100 of the most infamous fallacies in western philosophy identifying the most common missteps pitfalls and dead ends of arguments gone awry whether an instance of sunk costs is ought affirming the consequent moving the goal post

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begging the question or the ever popular slippery slope each fallacy engages with examples drawn from contemporary politics economics media and popular culture further diagrams and tables supplement entries and contextualize common errors in logical reasoning at a time in our world when it is crucial to be able to identify and challenge rhetorical half truths this book helps readers to better understand flawed argumentation and develop logical literacy unrivaled in its breadth of coverage and a worthy companion to its sister volume just the arguments 2011 bad arguments is an essential tool for undergraduate students and general readers looking to hone their critical thinking and rhetorical skills

Informal Logic

1997

this book provides a new linguistic approach to argumentation theory its main goal is to integrate the logical dialectical and rhetorical dimensions of argumentation in a model providing a unitary treatment of its justificatory and persuasive powers this model takes as its basis speech acts theory in order to characterize argumentation as a second order speech act complex the result is a systematic and comprehensive theory of the interpretation analysis and evaluation of arguments this theory sheds light on the many faces of argumentative communication verbal and non verbal monological and dialogical literal and non literal ordinary and specialized the book takes into consideration the major current comprehensive accounts of good argumentation perelman s new rhetoric pragma dialectics the arg model the epistemic approach and shows that these accounts have fundamental weaknesses rooted in their instrumentalist conception of argumentation as an activity oriented to a goal external to itself furthermore the author addresses some challenging meta theoretical questions such as the justification problem for argumentation theory models and the relationship between reasoning and arguing

Handbook of the Logic of Argument and Inference

2002-09-11

this volume gives a theoretical account of the problem of analyzing and evaluating argumentative discourse after placing argumentation in a communicative perspective and then discussing the fallacies that occur when certain rules of communication are violated the authors offer an alternative to both the linguistically inspired descriptive and logically inspired normative

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approaches to argumentation the authors characterize argumentation as a complex speech act in a critical discussion aimed at resolving a difference of opinion the various stages of a critical discussion are outlined and the communicative and interactional aspects of the speech acts performed in resolving a simple or complex dispute are discussed after dealing with crucial aspects of analysis and linking the evaluation of argumentative discourse to the analysis the authors identify the fallacies that can occur at various stages of discussion their general aim is to elucidate their own pragma dialectical perspective on the analysis and evaluation of argumentative discourse bringing together pragmatic insight concerning speech acts and dialectical insight concerning critical discussion

Historical Foundations of Informal Logic

2016-12-05

twelve essays by leading informal logicians including

Critical Thinking

1984

this collection brings together scholarship in theoretical and applied linguistics literary and cultural studies and second language studies the contributors here investigate the nature of linguistic cultural and cognitive diversity offering rich insights for theoretical advancement in multiple disciplines their theoretical and practical explications on discourse literature and linguistic structure contribute to a multifaceted conversation about diversity in language structure and use from the relationships between eye contact and mindfulness to the question of the universality of critical thinking the topics in this volume represent a wide variety of approaches to the study of language specific areas in which advances are made here include sociolinguistics second language pedagogy and literature studies

Routledge Library Editions: Philosophy of Education

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contemporary developments in philosophy have declared truth as such troublesome and not merely gaining access to it in a systematic survey this study

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in logical reasoning in addition to outline the fundamentals of decision making it integrates coverage of clinical reasoning risk assessment diagnosis treatment and prognosis in evidence based medicine presented in four sections this book discusses the history and position of the problem and the challenge of medical thinking provides the philosophy interfacing topics of interest for health sciences professionals including the probabilities uncertainties risks and other quantifications in health by steps of clinical work decision making in clinical and community health care research and practice communication in clinical and community care including how to write medical articles clinical case studies and case reporting and oral and written communication in clinical and community practice and care

Bad Arguments

2018-09-28

the basic question of this monograph is how should we go about judging arguments to be reasonable or unreasonable our concern will be with argument in a broad sense with realistic arguments in natural language the basic object will be to engage in a normative study of determining what factors standards or procedures should be adopted or appealed to in evaluating an argument as good not so good open to criticism fallacious and so forth hence our primary concern will be with the problems of how to criticize an argument and when a criticism is reasonably justified

Giving Reasons

2011-07-31

this work deals with argumentation in philosophy in the affirmative view of argumentation each party thinks it is right while all other positions are wrong argumentation is seen as guided by a set of rules that should lead to the resolution of the dispute in favor of one party this book advances a critique of such an approach proposing instead a negative one the central idea of which is that each party organizes the elements of the problem concerning the definition of terms the assumptions to be accepted and the types of logical resources being used the negative approach attempts to modify the ethics of philosophical discussions moving towards pluralism a diversity of perspectives and the capacity to adopt a panoramic view where one's own posture appears only as one among others argumentation is a ubiquitous matter professionals of all areas will have to argue to support their positions in diplomacy medicine or religion and in everyday life in any of these contexts the distinction between an affirmative and a negative

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approach to argumentation matters the book will particularly appeal to graduate and postgraduate students in philosophy psychology pedagogy and communication as well as the general reader interested in philosophy

Argumentation, Communication, and Fallacies

2016-07-22

this book works through some of the theoretical issues that have been accumulating in informal logic over the past 20 years at the same time it defines a core position in the theory of argument in which those issues can be further explored the underlying concern that motivates this work is the health of practice of argumentation as an important cultural artifact a further concern is for logic as a discipline argumentative and dialectical in nature this book presupposes some awareness of the theory of argument in recent history and some familiarity with the positions that have been advanced it will be of interest to academics researchers and advanced undergraduate and graduate students in the disciplines of logic rhetoric linguistics speech communication english composition and psychology

Informal Logic

2004

this book brings together in one place david hitchcock s most significant published articles on reasoning and argument in seven new chapters he updates his thinking in the light of subsequent scholarship collectively the papers articulate a distinctive position in the philosophy of argumentation among other things the author develops an account of material consequence that permits evaluation of inferences without problematic postulation of unstated premises updates his recursive definition of argument that accommodates chaining and embedding of arguments and allows any type of illocutionary act to be a conclusion advances a general theory of relevance provides comprehensive frameworks for evaluating inferences in reasoning by analogy means end reasoning and appeals to considerations or criteria argues that none of the forms of arguing ad hominem is a fallacy describes proven methods of teaching critical thinking effectively

New Essays in Informal Logic

1994

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in this accessible new textbook isabela and norman fairclough present their innovative approach to analysing political discourse political discourse analysis integrates analysis of arguments into critical discourse analysis and political discourse analysis the book is grounded in a view of politics in which deliberation decision and action are crucial concepts politics is about arriving cooperatively at decisions about what to do in the context of disagreement conflict of interests and values power inequalities uncertainty and risk the first half of the book introduces the authors new approach to the analysis and evaluation of practical arguments while the second half explores how it can be applied by looking at examples such as government reports parliamentary debates political speeches and online discussion forums on political issues through the analysis of current events including a particular focus on the economic crisis and political responses to it the authors provide a systematic and rigorous analytical framework that can be adopted and used for students own research this exciting new text co written by bestselling author norman fairclough is essential reading for researchers upper undergraduate and postgraduate students of discourse analysis within english language linguistics communication studies politics and other social sciences

Proceedings of the Third Purdue Linguistics, Literature, and Second Language Studies Conference

2019-07-18

in the latest volume in the emory studies in early christianity series the contributors seek a better understanding of how various biblical authors present their arguments support their claims and attempt to persuade their readers a century ago the rhetorical analysis of texts focused on the study of rhetorical figures in texts elocutio in the mid twentieth century scholars such as james mulenburgh hans dieter betz and wilhelm wuellner introduced biblical scholars to the illustrious tradition of rhetorical study these scholars tended to focus on the arrangement of the texts themselves dispositio during the last ten years however interpreters have increasingly studied the rhetorical argumentation in texts the authors in this volume examine rhetorical argumentation in the hebrew bible the gospels the pauline letters and the book of revelation offering striking new readings of these materials contributors include j david hester amador center for rhetoric and hermeneutics r dean anderson valkenburg the netherlands harold w attridge yale divinity school l gregory bloomquist st paul university ottawa michael r cosby messiah college rodney k duke appalachian state university frans h van eemeren university of amsterdam anders eriksson lund university alan j hauser appalachian state university roy r jeal william and catherine booth college

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Logic and Metalogic

2013-11-11

the present work is a fair record of work i ve done on the fallacies and related matters in the fifteen years since 1986 the book may be seen as a sequel to fallacies selected papers 1972 1982 which i wrote with douglas walton and which appeared in 1989 with foris this time i am on my own douglas walton has long since found his own voice as the saying has it and so have i both of us greatly value the time we spent performing duets but we also recognize the attractions of solo work if i had to characterize the difference that has manifested itself in our later work i would venture that walton has strayed more and i less from what has come to be called the woods walton approach to the study of fallacies perhaps on reflection stray is not the word for it inasmuch as walton s deviation from and my fidelity to the wwa are serious matters of methodological principle the wwa was always conceived of as a way of handling the analysis of various kinds of fallacious argument or reasoning it was a response to a particular challenge hamblin 1970 the challenge was that since logicians had allowed the investigation of fallacious reasoning to fall into disgraceful disarray it was up to them to put things right accordingly the wwa sought these repairs amidst the rich pluralisms of logic in the 1970s and beyond

Dialogical Rhetoric

2021-09

argumentation theory is a distinctly multidisciplinary field of inquiry it draws its data assumptions and methods from disciplines as disparate as formal logic and discourse analysis linguistics and forensic science philosophy and psychology political science and education sociology and law and rhetoric and artificial intelligence this presents the growing group of interested scholars and students with a problem of access since it is even for those active in the field not common to have acquired a familiarity with relevant aspects of each discipline that enters into this multidisciplinary matrix this book offers its readers a unique

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comprehensive survey of the various theoretical contributions which have been made to the study of argumentation it discusses the historical works that provide the background to the field and all major approaches and trends in contemporary research argument has been the subject of systematic inquiry for twenty five hundred years it has been graced with theories such as formal logic or the legal theory of evidence that have acquired a more or less settled provenance with regard to specific issues but there has been nothing to date that qualifies as a unified general theory of argumentation in all its richness and complexity this being so the argumentation theorist must have access to materials and methods that lie beyond his or her home subject it is precisely on this account that this volume is offered to all the constituent research communities and their students apart from the historical sections each chapter provides an economical introduction to the problems and methods that characterize a given part of the contemporary research program because the chapters are self contained they can be consulted in the order of a reader s interests or research requirements but there is value in reading the work in its entirety jointly authored by the very people whose research has done much to define the current state of argumentation theory and to point the way toward more general and unified future treatments this book is an impressively authoritative contribution to the field

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approaches recent innovations in argumentation theory from a primarily rhetorical perspective

How to Think in Medicine

1987-01-01

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1996

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1987

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