# FINAL EXAM

# **EXAM DATE**

• 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 1

## FORMAT OF EXAM

- 1. Argument identification (20 pts)
- 2. Definitions (20 pts)
- 3. Multiple choice (30 pts)
- 4. Short answer/essay (30 pts)

## GENERAL CONCEPTS

- Logical concepts (e.g. necessary/sufficient condition)
- Moral concepts (utilitarianism vs deontology)

## ETHICAL OMNIVORISM

- Pollan's four defenses of omnivorism
  - 1. Eating is part of our (cultural) identity
  - 2. It is suffering & not pain that matters
  - 3. The good life of a domesticated animal is one in which it is farmed for food
  - 4. Even veganism would require us to kill lots of animals

#### FAMINE & AFFLUENCE

- Food security
- Singer's "principle of preventing bad occurrences"
- Objections to Singer
  - Erases distinction between duty & supererogation
  - Too demanding
  - Too radical

#### LIFEBOAT ETHICS

- Hardin on famine relief & the "tragedy of the commons"
- Objections to Hardin
  - Is the lifeboat metaphor really apt?
  - Must all commons end in "tragedy"?
  - Must all increases in food security lead to increases in population?

# FOOD JUSTICE

- Localism vs. globalism about food production & consumption's
- Disadvantages of each approach

## GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOODS

- What are GM Foods?
- Intrinsic vs extrinsic objections
- The "unnaturalness objection"
- The problem of negative information
- The precautionary principle

# **FUNCTIONAL FOODS**

- What are "functional" foods?
- How are functional foods different from GM foods?
- Problems with functional foods
  - 1. Efficacy
  - 2. Treating food as medicinal
  - 3. Market forces

