

The Catholic University of America School of Philosophy presents
The 2025 Antonio S. Cua Memorial Lecture



March 28, 2025

3:00 pm

Aquinas Hall Auditorium

*Light refreshments to be served immediately
following the lecture.*

The Fragmentation of Practical Wisdom in Medieval Philosophy

Dr. Tobias Hoffmann

Professor of Medieval Philosophy at Sorbonne Université



Antonio S. Cua (1932-2007) was a distinguished member of the faculty of the School of Philosophy from 1969 until his retirement in 1996. He was a specialist in Western and Chinese moral philosophy, especially the Confucian tradition. Dr. Cua grew up in Manila and studied philosophy at the Far Eastern University and the University of California at Berkeley. He taught at Ohio University and the State University of New York at Oswego before joining Catholic University's faculty. He authored six books and over 70 scholarly articles. Among his books were *Ethical Argumentation: A Study of Hsun Tzu's Moral Epistemology* (1985), *Moral Vision and Tradition: Essays in Chinese Ethics* (1988), and *Human Nature, Ritual, and History: Studies in Xunzi and Chinese Philosophy* (2005). He was also chief editor of the landmark *Encyclopedia of Chinese Philosophy* (2003). He served as president of the International Society for Chinese Philosophy, the Society for Asian and Comparative Philosophy, and the Association for Asian Studies. The Antonio S. Cua Memorial Lecture was established in 2007 through the generosity of Professor Cua's family as a way of preserving his memory and advancing his scholarly work by supporting public lectures presented by the School of Philosophy in the areas of Chinese and Western moral philosophy.

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