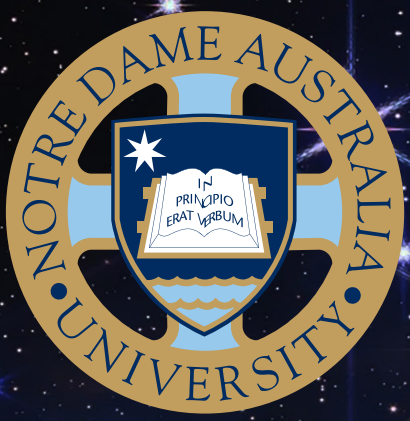




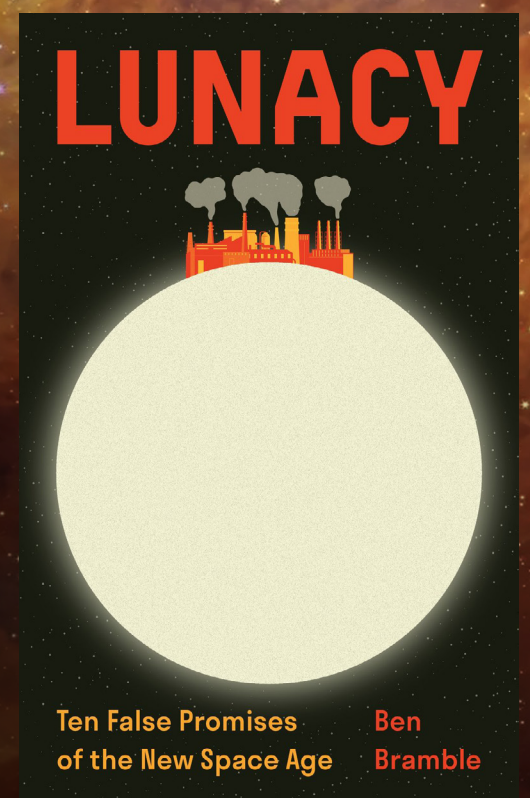
**2026 Notre
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Virtue Ethics & Space

Dr Ben Bramble
Australian National University

In this talk, Ben will explain why virtue ethics has an extremely important role to play in emerging literature on space ethics. What should we feel about or toward the Moon? How should we feel about space tourism? What about greening or domesticating the solar system or space more broadly? These questions turn out to be central to what, if anything, we should be doing in space. Ben will also explain why these reflections themselves give us evidence of the truth of virtue ethics itself.

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