

Michael Sandel

Harvard Professor and author of *Justice: What's the Right Thing To Do?*, Michael Sandel challenges us to examine the moral and ethical assumptions underlying our debated political and social issues. *The Washington Post* called him "perhaps the most prominent college professor in America," and Kirkus Reviews described him as "the professor we all wish we had."

A professor of political philosophy at Harvard for 30 years, Sandel's wildly popular course, "Justice," has enrolled over 15,000 students and is the first Harvard course to be made freely available online and on public television. In his *New York Times* bestseller, *Justice*, Sandel examines the meaning of justice and a range of topics, from government bailouts to immigration reform, taking readers on a journey of moral and political reflection "to figure out what they think and why." *Publishers Weekly* called it "erudite, conversational and deeply humane... truly transformative reading." *Democracy: A Journal of Ideas* said, "Justice... showcases the thinking on public morality that has made him one of the most sought-after lecturers in the world."

Sandel served on the President's Council on Bioethics from 2002-2005, appointed by the President to examine the ethical implications of new biomedical technologies. He explores the connection between science and ethics in his course "Ethics, Biotechnology, and the Future of Human Nature," and in his book, *The Case Against Perfection: Ethics in the Age of Genetic Engineering*, examines the moral quandaries connected with the quest to perfect ourselves and our children. *Booklist* said "an illuminating ethical analysis of stem-cell research concludes this stellar work of public philosophy."

A recipient of the Harvard-Radcliffe Phi Beta Kappa Teaching Prize, Sandel was recognized by the American Political Science Association for a career of excellence in teaching. A member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Council on Foreign Relations, Sandel is a graduate of Brandeis University and received his doctorate from Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar.