

Rebus:

Intro to philosophy:

DRAFT plan of action

Below, is an outline of a rough plan of action, in roughly the order I think we need to operate. #1 (Create a Table of Contents) is the first critical item, and I wonder how we approach it.

NOTE: This outlines what needs to be done to complete the “Intro to Phil” project, but there is another meta discussion about “how do we as the Rebus Community make sure these things happen in the best way possible.” That’s what we are trying, to figure out, “learning by doing” as they say.

Here is a list of things that (I think) must be done:

1. Create a [Table of contents](#), with outlines of desires for each chapter.

NOTE: #1 above is the critical **must-do** asap, I think

- We have decided to start with two sections to begin with: Ethics and Aesthetics, which are the sections we got section editors for
 - See the discussions about ToCs for those sections:
 - Ethics:
<https://forum.rebus.community/topic/126/ethics-section-ed-george-matthews>
 - Aesthetics:
<https://forum.rebus.community/topic/125/aesthetics-section-ed-w-scott-clifton>
2. See if there is material in the public domain or CC licensed that we could use--possibly a task for each section editor
 3. Assign chapters to contributors
 4. Proofread submitted chapters
 5. Solicit reviews for each chapter (Limited number of reviewers per chap? Open reviews? Closed reviews? Private? Public? Anonymous? etc)
 - a. Google Docs?
 - b. Hypothesis on PB?
 - c. Other tool(s)?
 6. Edit chapters based on reviews
 7. Wrangle formatting/accessibility etc in Pressbooks
 8. ?Find & add some images (CC license) to pep things up?
 9. Promote adoption of the OT in classrooms

10. ?Set up POD/ebook commercial distribution? < a possibility, to discuss
11. Get book into:
 - a. Libraries
 - b. Directories
 - c. Elsewhere?
12. Manage feedback from readers/users (and updates to the text?)

Roughly speaking there are five groups of people who need to be marshalled:

1. Managers/Editors: project conception, development of TOC etc
2. Chapter authors: write chapters
3. Reviewers: provide expert review of chapters/content
4. Promoters: reach out to students, instructors & professors to:
 - a. Get support for proofreading/reviewing
 - b. Get the text assigned in classes
5. Behind the scenes:
 - a. Proofreading
 - b. Formatting/"design"
 - c. Sourcing/adding images
 - d. Distribution

----- starting by locating section editors -----

- Identify volunteer section editors for (only) 2 sections (to start)
- Ask those 2 section editors to break their section into 5(+ or -) subsections, ie make a mini table of contents for that section
- Agree on a rough desired length of each subsection (in the History project outlined above, each section should be ~1000 words ... I am not sure if that is an appropriate length for)
- Once the above is done, we ask our current contributors (you!) to take on a subsection, and/or make more pointed requests for collaboration from the broader Philosophy community.
- We (ie Rebus) can help each section editor find more contributors if necessary
- And the section editor will (ideally) be responsible for making sure their contributors contribute (with support of course from Rebus) ...
- And once these 2 sections are off to the races, we can start focusing on the next 2 or 3 sections we wish to complete.
- When completed, these sections can be "published", which we believe will help people see what we are doing, and, we hope, will encourage others to join us

----- list of people interested and who could do what -----

See also this spreadsheet:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1a71X6Qs45W0W8_oM7p3zdEQdFTNd5VRJ4zMzaEEHefM/edit?usp=sharing

- Introduction: [@clhendricksbc](#)
- Metaphysics: [@methylated.orange](#), [@joll.nicholas](#)
- Logic: [@knachel](#), [@rzach](#)
- Epistemology: [@drrobertfarrow](#), [@fellows-jill](#), [@unfalsify](#)
- Aesthetics: [@cliftows](#), [@pablo.markin](#)
- Social & Political philosophy: [@drrobertfarrow](#), [@bolaigeefealabi](#), [@joll.nicholas](#)
- Ethics: [@drrobertfarrow](#), [@dr.wpdavis](#), [@cliftows](#), [@bolaigeefealabi](#), [@paul.s.boswell](#)
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