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## *The Ethics of Legalizing Marijuana*

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**Friday, 20 January**  
12:00 - 13:00 MST/MDT  
Dvorkin Centre (2G2.07 WMC)

After almost a century of prohibition, marijuana (cannabis) remains the most commonly consumed illicit substance in Canada, the single most commonly encountered substance in workplace drug testing, and second only to alcohol in cases of driving under the influence of alcohol. While the possession of marijuana in Canada remains unlawful under the controlled Drugs and Substances Act, its medical use is permitted under the Regulations to the Act. Later in 2017, the Government of Canada will most likely be legalizing marijuana for recreational use, which poses significant challenges for occupational health and for operating a vehicle, among others. This session will focus on the ethical challenges associated with the legalization of marijuana.

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