

**Personalized Welcome Message for Ethics: 200L-7122**  
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Required Texts:

*Nicomachean Ethics*, by Aristotle. Translated by Robert C. Bartlett and Susan D. Collins. The University of Chicago Press. ISBN: 978-0-226-02675-6

*Meditations*, by Marcus Aurelius. Translated by Gregory Hays. Modern Library. ISBN: 978-0812968255.

All other texts will be provided to students digitally on Brightspace.

Bio:

My name is Dr. Sheeley, and I am a full-time Lecturer in the Philosophy and Religious Studies Department at Marist. I earned a PhD in philosophy from the University of Kentucky in 2023. My research focuses on ancient Greek virtue ethics, and I have taught many ethical texts in my courses over the years, so the material in this course is familiar territory for me. Nonetheless, I never get tired of talking about ethics, so I'm really excited to read and discuss some of the greatest ethical texts ever written with you. As Socrates states in Plato's *Apology*, it is "the greatest good" for human beings to "discuss virtue every day," since doing so can improve our overall well-being. Outside of my work, I spend much of my time listening to and making music, reading great books, traveling, and skiing with my friends.