Day 1: January 14, 2019

Introductions and expectations.
Intuitions come first, strategic reasoning second.
Where does morality come from.

No class on Martin Luther King Day, January 21

Day 2: January 28

The intuitive dog and its rational tail.
Moral reason vs moral intuition.
The rider and the elephant.
Intuition comes first, strategic reasoning second: scientific support.
When can the rider (moral reasoning) actually be in charge of the elephant (moral intuition)?

Day 3: February 4

Vote for me (Here’s why).
Reputation is all.
The function of consciousness.
Groupishness vs selfishness.
There’s more to morality than harm and fairness.
The moral tongue has six taste receptors.

Day 4: February 11

Beyond W.E.I.R.D. morality.
Moral matrices blind and bind.
One-receptor moralities: Deontology and utilitarianism.

Day 5: February 18

The moral foundations of politics
Care/harm, fairness/cheating, loyalty/betrayal, authority/subversion, sanctity/degradation.
The True Taste restaurant.
The conservative advantage: they speak to the elephant and trigger every receptor.
The basic social unit.
Liberty/oppression

Day 6: February 25
Morality binds and blinds.
90% chimp and 10% bee.

Why are we so groupish?
Group evolution vs individual evolution.
Relationships and the hive switch.

**Day 7: March 4**

Religion is a team sport.
Requirements for group growth: elicit commitment and suppress free riders.
Causes of accelerated evolution in the last 10,000 years.
What religion and politics are really about.
Why can’t we all agree?
Predispositions: Predicting who’ll wind up conservative and liberal.
Why conservatives understand liberals better than vice versa.
Advantage liberal; advantage conservative.
You don’t usually help the bees by destroying the hive.

**Day 8: March 11**

Intuitions come first, strategic reasoning second.
There’s more to morality than harm and fairness.
Pluralism without relativism.
Morality binds and blinds.
Selfish but yet groupish.
Our minds coevolved with religions to allow ever-larger moral communities.
The hive switch.
Why we are divided by politics and religion.
How and when can we reason with other people.