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New Directions in the Study of Happiness: United States and International Perspectives

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The academic study of human happiness has emerged as one of the most vibrant and exciting research programs in the social sciences and humanities. Leading scholars from several disciplines are coming together at the University of Notre Dame to present and evaluate contributions to the rapidly-growing area of happiness studies. They will discuss issues such as:

- What is happiness?
- How do we measure happiness?
- What does happiness depend on?
- Does money buy happiness – why or why not?
- How is justice related to happiness?
- What kinds of economic, social and political arrangements increase happiness?
- What is the future of happiness studies?
- What should be done to increase the amount of happiness in the world?

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