

Now that there are 1000 of us, I want to briefly explain how I view my project on here.

Like any other culture warrior, I defend my positions on political and social issues—positions that I think of as broadly progressive. The “armchair” part means that I focus on the *a priori* or philosophical aspects of the issues, since I’m not qualified to comment on empirical matters, like economics or history.

In addition to defending my positions, I’m also trying to promote good philosophical values regarding how we fight in the culture wars. These values include being as clear as possible (so as to avoid misunderstandings), being fair and charitable to opposing views, being rigorous—reflecting carefully on our assumptions and offering arguments—and being intellectually humble—recognizing the things we don’t know and sometimes suspending judgment.

I won’t always succeed at embodying these values, but I’ll do my best. None of my videos should ever be seen as the end of the conversation—just the beginning.

If you disagree with my views, you can still stay faithful to the philosophical values I mentioned while defending your own views.

I’m loving seeing all the philosophy taking place in my comment sections. Keep up the good fight, and as always, I wish you good fortune in the culture wars to come. And now it begins.