

Editor's Preface

On January 17-22, 2014, I conducted a Primary Certificate Workshop on Logic-Based Therapy (LBT) in Taiwan in cooperation with the [Taiwan Philosophical Counseling Association](#), in which 37 Masters and Ph.D. Level philosophical counseling trainees received intensive training in LBT. As part of the requirements for the certificate, all candidates were required to complete a counseling practicum. Each candidate then produced a practicum paper describing how he or she proceeded through the successive steps of the LBT counseling process. The practicum papers also discussed the challenges of attempting the process for the first time, and assessed the learning experience.

The seven papers contained in this special issue of the *International Journal of Philosophical Practice* (IJPP) were selected from among the 37 practicum papers prepared by the candidates for the Primary Certification in Logic-Based Therapy, and were translated from Chinese into English.

Not only do these papers provide robust examples of how philosophical counseling, in particular LBT, can be applied to a myriad of problems of living, they also show how the approach can transcend cultural barriers by virtue of its flexibility in accommodating diverse philosophical perspectives. Indeed, many of the papers apply Buddhist philosophy within the LBT framework. We hope that the international readership of IJPP will find these papers a refreshing demonstration of the power of philosophical counseling to usefully address the perennial and transcendent problems of humanity.

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