Note to Readers

No perfect partition of the table of contents emerged in the editing process. This reflects the fact that we have a rich field on our hands, with a variety of cross-cutting themes. The Introduction details many of these. But here we want to offer some brief guidance for readers eager to dig in. (An important proviso: the chapters listed below are obvious places to start; they aren't meant to imply that no other chapters contain material relevant to the indicated topics.)

If you're coming to the volume unsure about the status or nature of the whole field, you might start with, in addition to the Introduction, the chapters by Braddon-Mitchell, Cappelen, Pérez Carballo, Pettit, Richard, Thomasson, Sawyer, and Scharp. The chapters by Cappelen, Sawyer, Scharp, and Thomasson generally represent a pro-attitude toward the field, while chapters by Ball and Greenough develop some skepticism.

The chapters by Burgess, Dever, and Sterken take up various methodological challenges for doing conceptual engineering and conceptual ethics.

If you're coming to the volume with more applied interests, you might consult the chapters by Belleri, Eklund, and Thomasson for work on metaphysics, or the chapters by Brigandt and Rosario, Díaz-León, Haslanger, Jackson, McPherson and Plunkett, and Pettit for work on ethics and social/political philosophy.