1. Record Nr. UNINA9910490714203321 Autore Höhn Simone Eva Titolo One Great Family: Domestic Relationships in Samuel Richardson's Novels Pubbl/distr/stampa Tübingen, : Narr Francke Attempto Verlag, 2020 Collana Schweizer Anglistische Arbeiten / Swiss Studies in English Soggetti Literary studies: c 1500 to c 1800 Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia This study examines concepts of morality and structures of domestic Sommario/riassunto relationships in Samuel Richardson's novels, situating them in the context of eighteenth-century moral writings and reader reactions. Based on a detailed analysis of Richardson's work, this book maintains that he sought both to uphold hierarchical concepts of individual duty, and to warn of the consequences if such hierarchies were abused. In his final novel, Richardson aimed at a synthesis between social hierarchy and individual liberty, patriarchy and female self-fulfilment. His work, albeit rooted in patriarchal values, paved the way for proto-feminist

conceptions of female character.