

Philosophy 1
Introduction to Philosophy
Winter, 2006

Lecture: 2 Wellman, MWF 10:00-10:50
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Text: *Classics of Western Philosophy*, ed. Kahn

Virtual Text: <http://philosophy.ucdavis.edu/matthey/phi001/index.html>

Topic: The course will be divided into two parts. In part one, we will look at historically important philosophical accounts of knowledge and reality, beginning with Plato and ending with Bertrand Russell. In part two, we will examine important theories of ethics and politics, beginning with Socrates and ending with Jean-Paul Sartre. Readings will be from famous philosophical writings.

Schedule

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
4 No Reading	1 Hume, <i>Enquiry</i>	1 Hobbes, <i>Leviathan</i>
6 Plato, <i>Euthyphro</i>	3 Kant, <i>Critique</i>	3 Kant, <i>Grounding</i>
9 Plato, <i>Phaedo</i>	6 Kant, <i>Critique</i>	6 Kant, <i>Grounding</i>
11 Aristotle, <i>Categor., Physics</i>	8 Kant, <i>Critique</i>	8 Mill, <i>Utilitarianism</i>
13 Aristotle, <i>Metaphysics</i>	10 Peirce, "Fixation," "Ideas"	10 Mill, <i>Utilitarianism</i>
16 NO CLASS	13 Russell, <i>Problems</i>	13 Sartre, "Existentialism"
18 Anselm, <i>Proslogion</i>	15 Plato, <i>Apology</i>	15 No Reading
20 Aquinas, <i>Summa</i>	17 Plato, <i>Republic</i>	
23 Descartes, <i>Meditations</i>	20 NO CLASS	
25 Descartes, <i>Meditations</i>	22 Aristotle, <i>Nichomachean</i>	
27 Descartes, <i>Meditations</i>	24 Aristotle, <i>Nichomachean</i>	21 FINAL EXAM
30 Hume, <i>Enquiry</i>	27 Epicurus, Epictetus	8:00-10:00

Grades will be based on the following: a final examination (30%), two short papers (25% each), on-line quizzes (10%), and discussion-section participation (10%). The final will be in-class, with essay questions. Papers will involve textual analysis on assigned topics. Examinations must be taken, and papers turned in, at the scheduled time, unless prior authorization is given. Late papers will be penalized one grade quantum (for example, A- to B+) per two working days late. **Both the final and the two papers must be completed in order for the course to be passed.**