



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Arts & Science
Humanities

Phil. 102-1, Introduction to Philosophy, II
Fall, 2002

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

Instructor: Dr. Justine Noel

Office hours: Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Wednesdays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.,
Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Thursdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Fridays, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Location: Fisher 344D

Phone: 370-3518

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, students should be able to a) understand the problems encompassed within the various philosophical themes studied, b) compare Western and non-Western schools of thought on how these problems can be solved, c) critically assess the strengths and weaknesses of different philosophical theories, and d) articulate a sense of his or her own position on key issues.

3. Required Materials

Text: Traversing Philosophical Boundaries, ed., Max O. Hallman, 2nd ed.

4. Course Schedule and Content

Lectures: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:30-3:20 p.m., Ewing 200

Seminars: Group A: Tuesdays, 3:30-4:20 p.m., Ewing 200
Group B: Thursdays, 3:30-4:20 p.m., Ewing 200

READING ASSIGNMENTS

Week 1: Self, Mind and Body

Sept.3 – Intro.

Sept.5 – Locke, 10

Seminar – Hume, 20

Week 2: Self cont.

Sept.10 – Schopenhauer, 24

Sept.12 – Plato, 28

Seminar – Buddhist Scriptures, 16

Week 3: Self cont.

Sept.17 – Nietzsche, 73

Sept.19 – Sartre, 85

Seminar – Parfit, 58

Week 4: Creation and Reality

Sept.24 – TEST #1

Sept.26 – Hawking, 131

Seminar – Video, discussion groups

Week 5: Creation cont.

Oct.1 – 119-131

Oct.3 – Plato, 144

Seminar – Lao-Tzu, 148, Wang Chung, 151

Week 6: Knowledge and Truth

Oct.8 – Descartes, 195

Oct.10 – Berkeley, 210

Seminar – James, 224

Week 7: Knowledge, cont.

Oct.15 – ESSAY DUE, Hume, 283

Oct.17 – Ayer, 291

Seminar – Chang-Tzu, 272

Week 8: Ethics

Oct.22 – TEST #2

Oct.24 – Aristotle, 305

Seminar – Video, discussion groups

Week 9: Ethics, cont.

Oct.29 – Kant, 315
Oct.31 – Bentham, 322
Seminar – Nietzsche, 347

Week 10: Freewill

Nov.5 – Hospers, 382
Nov.7 – hand out
Seminar – Video

Week 11: Punishment

Nov.12 – TEST#3
Nov.14 – hand out
Seminar – hand out

Week 12: Religion

Nov.19 – Augustinus, 527
Nov.21 – Aquinas, 539
Seminar – Christ, 583

Week 13: Religion

Nov.26 – Buber, 549
Nov.28 – Campbell, 577
Seminar – Yutang, 621

Week 14: Religion cont.

Dec.3 – Russell, 627
Dec.5 – TEST #4
Seminar: Video

5. Course Requirements:

- a) 4 essay-question tests (50 minutes long each): 60% (15% each)
- b) 3-4 page paper (typed, double-spaced): 20%
- c) Participation: 10%
- d) In class seminar assignments, group work: 10%

Policy on late papers: late papers will receive a zero except in cases of illness or personal crisis.

Policy on missed tests: make-up tests will only be permitted in cases of illness or personal crisis.

6. Grading System

The following percentage conversion to letter grade will be used:

A+ = 95 - 100%	B = 75 - 79%	D = 50 - 59%
A = 90 - 94%	B- = 70 - 74%	F = 0.0 - 49%
A- = 85 - 89%	C+ = 65 - 69%	
B+ = 80 - 84%	C = 60 - 64%	

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

ACADEMIC CONDUCT POLICY

There is an Academic Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-5.html