



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Arts & Science
Humanities

Phil. 102-003, Introduction to Philosophy, II
Winter, 2010

COURSE OUTLINE

Instructor Information:

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Intended Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this course, students should be able to a) demonstrate an understanding of the problems encompassed within the various philosophical themes studied, b) compare different 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.

Required Text: Experiencing Philosophy, Anthony Falikowski

Course Schedule:

Lectures:	Tuesdays	10:30 am - 11:20 am, WT-203
	Thursdays	10:30 am - 11:20 am, WT-203
Seminars:	Tuesdays	11:30 am – 12:20 pm, WT-202, Group A
	Thursdays	11:30 am – 12:20 pm, WT-202, Group B

Course Requirements:

Test #1 – Jan.28 (25%)

Test #2 – Mar.9 (25%)

Test #3 – final exam period (30%)

6 quizzes, one throwaway (10%)

participation/group discussion (10%)

Reading Assignments

Week 1: **What is Philosophy?**

01/5 – Introduction

01/7 – chapter 1

Week 2: **Philosophies of Life**

01/12 – Stoicism, p.41-61

01/14 – Existentialism, p.61-74, **QUIZ #1**

Week 3: **Philosophies of Life**

01/19 – Freewill, p.74-82

01/21 – Hedonism, p. 82-96

Week 4: **Philosophies of Life**

01/26 – Buddhism, p.97-119, Review

01/28 –**TEST #1**

Week 5: **Philosophical Argument**

02/2 – Deductive and Inductive Arguments, p.143-147, p.151-154

02/4 – Fallacies, p.156-165, **QUIZ #2**

Week 6: **Epistemology and Metaphysics**

02/9 – Plato, p.167-185

02/11 – Plato, p.185-188

Week 7: **Epistemology cont.**

02/16 – Descartes, p.189-202, **QUIZ #3**

02/18 – no class – reading break

Week 8: **Epistemology cont.**

02/23 – Locke, p.203-209

02/25 – Berkeley, p.209-212

Week 9: **Epistemology cont.**

03/2 – Hume, p.213-226

03/4 – Kant, p.228-235, Review, **QUIZ #4**

Week 10: **Philosophy of Religion**

03/9 – **TEST #2**

03/11 – St. Anselm, p.250-253

Week 11: Philosophy of Religion cont.

03/16– Aquinas, p.253-261, **QUIZ #5**

03/18 – video: “Does God Exist?”

Week 12: Morality

03/23– Utilitarianism, p.297-308

03/25 – Duty-based Ethics, p.308-316

Week 13: Morality cont.

03/30– Existentialist Ethics, p.334-342

04/1 – Existentialist Ethics, p.343-346, **QUIZ #6**

Week 14: Morality cont.

04/6 – Ethical Egoism, p.346-356

04/8 – Review for final exam

Grading System

The following percentage conversion to letter grade will be used:

A+	90-100%
A	85-89%
A-	80-84%
B+	77-79%
B	73-76%
B-	70-72%
C+	65-69%
C	60-64%
D	50-59%
F	0-49%

Policy on missed tests: make-up tests will be permitted only in cases of illness or personal crisis. A make-up test will not be scheduled until proper documentation is provided.

Policy on missed quizzes: there are NO make-ups for quizzes, regardless of circumstances. There is, however, one throwaway quiz.

Cell phones: students are not permitted to use cell phones in class.

Laptop computers: may be used for note taking only - watching sports, videos, shows etc., playing music, online chatting, doing email and so on is not permitted in class.

