



**CAMOSUN COLLEGE**  
*School of Arts & Science*  
*Humanities*

**Phil. 102-003, Introduction to Philosophy, II**  
**Winter, 2012**

**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: Wednesdays 10:30 am - 11:20 am, Y316

Fridays 10:30 am - 11:20 am, Y316

Seminars: Wednesdays 11:30 am – 12:20 pm, Group A, Y316

Fridays 11:30 am – 12:20 pm, Group B, Y316

**Course Requirements:**

Test #1 – 20%

Test #2 – 20%

Test #3 – 20%

Final exam - final exam period (30%)

participation/group discussion (10%)

## Reading Assignments

### Week 1: **What is Philosophy?**

01/11 – Introduction

01/13 – Stoicism, p.41-61

### Week 2: **Philosophies of Life**

01/18 – Existentialism, p.61-74

01/20 – Freewill, p.74-82

### Week 3: **Philosophies of Life**

01/25 – Hedonism, p. 82-96

01/27 – **TEST #1**

### Week 4: **Philosophies of Life**

02/1 – Buddhism, p.97-115

02/3 – Buddhism, cont.

### Week 5: **Philosophical Argument**

02/8 – Fallacies, p.156-160

02/10 – Fallacies, cont.

### Week 6: **Epistemology and Metaphysics**

02/15 – Plato, p.167-185 Plato, p.185-188

02/17 – no class, reading break

### Week 7: **Epistemology cont.**

02/22 – Descartes, p.189-202

02/24 – **TEST #2**

### Week 8: **Epistemology cont.**

02/29 – Locke, p.203-209

03/2 – Berkeley, p.209-212

### Week 9: **Epistemology cont.**

03/7 – Hume, p.213-226

03/9 – Kant, p.228-235

### Week 10: **Philosophy of Religion**

03/14 – St. Anselm, p.250-253

03/16 – Aquinas, p.253-261

**Week 11: Morality**

03/21– **TEST #3**

03/23 – Utilitarianism, p.297-308

**Week 12: Morality**

03/28– Duty-based Ethics, p.308-316

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

**Week 13: Morality cont.**

04/4–Existentialist Ethics, p.343-346

04/6 – no class, Good Friday

**Week 14: Morality cont.**

04/11 – Ethical Egoism, p.346-356

04/13 – 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.

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.