



COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/phil.html>

⚡ Please note: the College electronically stores this outline for five (5) years only.
It is **strongly recommended** you keep a copy of this outline with your academic records.
You will need this outline for any future application/s for transfer credit/s to other colleges/universities.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Sandy Bannikoff	
(b)	Office Hours:	Monday 12 to 2; Tue & Thurs 1 to 2	
(c)	Location:	Y315F: This office has a door onto the hallway, just past or before the collective Y315 door.	
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Argue a philosophical position and support it with good reason.
2. Identify major themes and arguments relating to the course topic.
3. Analyse, assess, compare and develop nuanced arguments concerning the issues central to the topic of the course.
4. Demonstrate skills in written and oral communication.

3. Required Materials

- (a) Coursepack, available at the bookstore

4. Course Content and Schedule

WEEK ONE Introductory

Lecture I: General Introduction
Lecture II: What is Ancient Philosophy?

Readings:

- 1 Rainer Maria Rilke. "Archaic Torso of Apollo"
- 2 Maureen O'Sullivan. Introduction
- 3 Kirk & Raven. "The Sources for Presocratic Philosophy"
- 4 Boethius. Introduction

WEEK TWO: Introductory

Lecture I: Human Beings
Lecture II: Lyric Philosophy

Readings:

- 5 Kirk & Raven. "Towards Philosophy"
- 6 John Cook. "Human Beings" Intro paragraph,
- 7 Descartes. "Meditation One", Dream Hypothesis
- 8 John Cook. "Human Beings" Opening Argument
- 9 Jan Zwicky. "Bringhamst's Presocratics: Lyric and Ecology" Parts 1 & 2

WEEK THREE The Milesians: Thales, Anaximander, Anaximenes

Lecture I: History & Ideas
Lecture II: The Milesians

Readings:

- 11 Robert Bringhamst. "Miletos"
- 12 Paul Rossetti Bjarnason. "The Jewel of Ionia", "Stargazer",
- 13 Patricia Curd. "The Milesians"
- 14 Bringhamst, Robert. "A Short History"

Seminar Reading:

- 15 Kieren Barry. "History of the Alphabet"

WEEK FOUR Pythagoras

Lecture I: Kirk & Raven
Lecture II: Kahn

Readings:

- 16 Jan Zwicky. "Bee Music",
- 17 Kirk & Raven. "Pythagoras of Samos"
- 18 Charles H. Kahn. "Pythagorean Philosophy Before Plato"
- 19 Kirk & Raven. "Orphic Cosmogonies"

WEEK FIVE Pythagoras

Lecture I: Russell
Lecture II: Bringhamst & Zwicky

Readings:

- 20 Kirk & Raven. "Acusmata, ii. Number and Harmonia"
- 21 Bertrand Russell. "Pythagoras"
- 22 Kirk & Raven. "Conclusion"
- 23 Bringhamst, Robert. "Pythagoras"
- 24 Zwicky, Jan. "Transparence"

Seminar Readings

- 25 Charles Seltman. "Apollo"
- 26 Thomas Bulfinch. "Oracle of Apollo"

WEEK SIX Heraclitus

Lecture I: Kahn
Lecture II: Heraclitus

Readings:

- 27 Charles H. Kahn. "The Doctrine: Heraclitus and his Predecessors"
- 28 Charles H Kahn. "On Reading Heraclitus"
- 29 Heraclitus. Translation: Baird & Kaufmann.

Seminar Reading

- 30 Martin Heidegger. "Logos (Heraclitus, Fragment B 50)"

WEEK SEVEN Heraclitus

Lecture I: Russell
Lecture II: Zwicky

Readings:

- 31 Bertrand Russell. "Heraclitus"
- 32 Robert Bringhamst. "Herakleitos"
- 33 Jan Zwicky. "Bringhamst's Presocratics: Lyric and Ecology", Parts 3 – 6

WEEK EIGHT Parmenides

Lecture I: Bringhamst
Lecture II: Parmenides

Readings:

- 34 Robert Bringhamst. "The Fragments of Parmenides: The Poetry of Philosophy and the Fate of the University"

Seminar Readings

- 35 Murray, Alexander S. "Muses"
- 36 Alexander S. Murray. "Hades"

WEEK NINE Parmenides

Lecture I: Parmenides
Lecture II: Russell & Bringhamst

Readings:

- 37 The Encyclopedia of Philosophy, "Parmenides"
- 38 Bertrand Russell. "Parmenides"
- 39 Bringhamst, Robert. "Parmenides"

Seminar Readings

- 40 Thomas Bulfinch. "Bacchus"
- 41 J.G. Frazer. "Demeter and Persophone"

WEEK TEN Socrates

Lecture I: Alcibides
Lecture II: Vlastos

Readings:

- 42 The New Encyclopedia Britannica. "Plato", "Philosophy, History of Western", opening paragraphs
- 43 Plato. "The Speech of Alcibides"
- 44 Gregory Vlastos, Gregory. "Socratic Irony"

Seminar Reading

- 45 Plutarch. "Alcibides"

WEEK ELEVEN Plato

Lecture I: Plato's Meno
Lecture II: Plato's Meno

Readings:

- 46 Plato. "Meno", Part One: What is Virtue?
- 47 Plato. "Meno", Part Two: Slave Interlude
- 48 Tim Lilburn. "Socrates"

WEEK TWELVE & THIRTEEN Plato

Lecture I: Plato's Meno
Lecture II: Zwicky
Week 13, I & II: Zwicky

Readings:

- 49 Plato. Part Three: Can Virtue be Taught?
- 50 Jan Zwicky. Plato as Artist, Gaspereau Press, 2009.

WEEK FOURTEEN Philosophy

Lecture I: Zwicky
Lecture II: Ancient Philosophy

Readings:

- 51 Jan Zwicky. "Bringhurst's Presocratics: Lyric and Ecology", Parts 7 & 8 Pherekydes
- 52 Herman S. Schibli. In Pherekydes of Syros "Appendix 2: Testimonia and Fragments"
- 53 Bringhurst, Robert. "Pherekydes"

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

- (a) Best 5 of 8 Written Assignments.....80%
- (b) Seminar Participation.....20%

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at camosun.ca for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

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, at Student Services, or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services, and the College web site in the Policy Section.

Communication Students are welcome to e-mail me anytime. However, please know that all of your correspondence with me is professional. This means that your messages must be (basically) grammatically correct and without the shorthand that is common online and in texting.