

Department of Philosophy

Course Descriptions

Summer 2014

Main Campus

PHIL 110 **Intro to Philosophy** **3 credits** **Adrienne Lyles-Chockley**
CRN 74042
9:00-11:40 MWF
5/19/14 – 6/20/14 (5 weeks)

Readings and discussions designed to introduce the student to the major areas and problems of philosophy through a study of writings of classical and contemporary thinkers. Fulfills Gen Ed requirement; Sophia Requirement-Philosophical World Views.

On-Line Courses

PHIL 255 **Medical Ethics** **3 credits** **Megan Zwart**
CRN 74031
On-line
5/19/14-6/27/14 (6 weeks)

In this course we will investigate ethical issues that arise in the health care professions. We will consider some key ethical theories and principles including autonomy, justice, beneficence and veracity. We will then move through the life cycle, considering special ethical topics that arise at specific times of life, including beginning of life questions (abortion, reproductive technologies), issues of childhood (children and autonomy), issues surrounding aging (dementia, allocation of resources to elders), issues at the end of life (active and passive euthanasia, palliative care, discontinuing futile care) as well as those issues that arise across the life cycle (allocation of scarce resources). Students will engage with topics and assigned readings through online discussion boards, analytical argument papers, a personal journal and analysis of a self-chosen contemporary case study. Pre-req: PHIL 110