

Department of Philosophy

Course Descriptions

Fall 2010

Introductory Courses

PHIL 110

Introduction to Philosophy can be taken to fulfill the college core requirement in philosophy. Only one Philosophy 110 course may be taken for college credit.

Phil 110	<u>Introductory Philosophy Classes</u>	<u>3 credits</u>
Ann Clark	11:00-11:50 MWF	
Charlie Hobbs	10:00-10:50 & 2:00-2:50 MWF	
Megan Zwart	12:30-1:45 & 2:00-3:15 TR	
Michael Waddell	9:30-10:45 & 11:00-12:15 TR	

<u>Phil 110W</u>	<u>Introductory Philosophy</u>	<u>3.5 credits</u>
Patti Sayre	1:00-1:50 MWF & W 12:00-12:50 W (Tandem with ENLT 106W CRN 71993)	

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.

Upper Division Courses

PHIL 220	Introduction to Logic	3 credits	Patti Sayre
11:00-11:50 MWF			

Logic is the study of the methods and principles used to distinguish good, or correct, reasoning from bad, or fallacious, reasoning. Because its methods and principles can be applied to any subject matter, logic is a tool with practical applications in many other disciplines and has played an important role in the development of Western thought in general. In this course, we study not only logical techniques, but also consider the connections between logic and intellectual history. We begin with a unit on argumentation in ordinary language, move on to consider three systems of deductive logic (categorical, propositional, and predicate logic) and conclude with a brief introduction to some cutting edge issues in contemporary logic. *Essential preparation for anyone considering law school or planning to take the GRE's.*

PHIL 255	Medical Ethics	3 credits	Megan Zwart
10:00-10:50 MWF			

The moral problems raised by modern medical practice are the liveliest ethical problems in contemporary society. They have engaged the interest of the medical profession, of professional philosophers, and of the general public. The right to live, the right to be left alone, the duties of professionals to those under their care, all these raise moral problems of great importance. This course will develop a dialogue between examples of moral problems which arise in medical practice and approaches to these problems which philosophers have developed. The object of the course is to involve the student in this dialogue, inviting her both to address today's moral problems and provoking her to develop a general approach to moral problems - what guidance she can expect, and what answers she should not expect.

PHIL 497.04 Permission	Independent Study	1 to 3 credits	Patti Sayre
PHIL 497.05 Permission	Independent Study	1 to 3 credits	Megan Zwart
PHIL 998.01 Permission	Advanced Writing Proficiency		George Trey
PHIL 999.01 Permission	Comprehensive Exam Passed		George Trey

Advising: Fall 2010

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