

Phil 100: Introduction to Philosophy  
Chaminade University  
Summer 1999  
Syllabus

53E 99  
PH/Ford Island

Course: Phil 10065  
Times: MTWF 11:00- 12:00  
Location: Ford Island - Bldg. 39

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Text Book: Stewart, David, and Blocker, H. Gene, Fundamentals of Philosophy. 4th edition. New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 1996 .

Course Description: This course will offer an introduction to philosophy conceived as content and activity. In regards to philosophy as content, we will examine some of the fundamental areas of philosophy (including logic, metaphysics, epistemology, social and political philosophy, and aesthetics, and ethics ), as well as some its fundamental theories (e.g. realism, idealism, solipsism, utilitarianism, liberalism, etc.). In regards to philosophy as an activity, we will work toward building a better understanding of and facility in philosophical inquiry.

Course Format: Lecture, philosophical exercises, and discussion. Since much of the course will consist of class discussions, students are required to actively participate in class activities and to come to class well prepared for class discussion.

Requirements: Students are required to be respectful and tolerant in class discussions and to participate regularly in class activities. Each student is expected to carefully read the assigned reading and to be prepared to discuss it for the class period of the assignment.

Grading:

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Quiz one	20 pts	Total 100 pts
Quiz two	20 pts	90-100 A
Quiz three	20 pts	80-89 B
Quiz four	20pts	70-79 C
Att. and Participation	<u>20 pts</u>	60-69 D
	100 pts	0 - 59 F

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
	7/6 Introduction	7/7 What is Philosophy? 1-12	7/9 Philosophy and the Examined Life 13-22
7/12 Good Thinkers Tool kit	7/13 The Practice of Philosophy 23-32	7/14 Philosophy and the Search for Truth 33-44	7/16 Life of Reason 46-52
7/19 Metaphysics 100-112	7/20 Plato's Metaphysics 112-115	7/21 Plato's Metaphysics 115-124	7/23 Materialism 125-131
7/26 Epicurus 131-142	7/27 Berkeley's Idealism 147-162	7/28 The Mind Body Problem 164-176	7/30 Review for Quiz 1
8/2 Epistemology 186-192	8/3 Plato's Epistemology 193-207	8/4 Descartes' Rationalism 208-215	8/6 Descartes 215-223
8/9 Hume's Empiricism 224-233	8/10 Kant's Compromise 234-246	8/11 Postmodernism 247-257	8/13 Review for Quiz 2
8/16 Ethics 260-266	8/17 The Need for Morality 267-274	8/18 The Need for Morality 275-287	8/20 The Morality of Self-Realization 288-303
8/23 Morality and Consequences 304-311	8/24 Morality and Consequences 311-317	8/25 Morality and Motives 318-327	8/27 Review for Quiz 3
8/30 Eastern Philosophy 500-505	8/31 Confucianism 506-513	9/1 Confucianism 513-523	9/3 Daoism Handout - Laozi, Zhuangzi
9/6 Hinduism Handout - Bagavad Gita	9/7 Buddhism Handout - Dhammapada	9/8 Buddhism Handout - Dali Lama	9/10 Zen Buddhism Handout - Suzuki
9/13 Review for Quiz 4	9/14 Quiz 4	9/15 Final Comments Evaluations	