

Spring 2004 Undergraduate Courses

HUM 2937-02
Ref: 04761

HONS Humanities Seminar
Instructor: Prof. Maria Morales

TR 12:30-1:45, 310 DIF
(HONORS ONLY)

This course is a survey of late 20th-century political thought. We will discuss the work of representatives of major theories (e.g., liberalism and communitarianism), and concentrate on discussions about race, class, and gender in the contemporary world.

PHI 2010-01
Ref: 03001

Introduction to Philosophy
Instructor: Ms. Sara Chant

TR 2:00-3:15, 201 DIF
(Liberal Studies/Gordon Rule)

Some introductory courses in philosophy are taught with an emphasis on the history of philosophy, others are topic-oriented and they are taught with an emphasis on particular philosophical problems. In this course, we will be concerned with acquiring the tools necessary to do philosophy. So, we will examine a number of topics, including epistemology (or theory of knowledge), philosophy of religion, the mind-body problem, the nature of freedom, and the problem of personal identity. Moreover, we will learn a bit about the history of philosophy and how these topics emerged. But ultimately we will use these historical problems as a means toward becoming philosophers ourselves.

PHI 2010-02
Ref: 04770

Introduction to Philosophy
Instructor: Mr. Jason Zinser

MW 5:15-6:30, 108 SAN
(Liberal Studies/Gordon Rule)

What is philosophy? What is it that philosophers do? We will try to answer these questions by examining a number of philosophical problems and various answers that have been given to these problems. Some of the problems that we will address are: Does God exist? What do the terms 'good' and 'bad' mean? What is consciousness? An emphasis will be placed on critically reading original texts and carefully evaluating (in writing) the arguments contained therein. By the end of the course you will have acquired the necessary tools to think more critically about the world around you.

PHI 2010-03
Ref: 04771

Introduction to Philosophy
Instructor: Mr. Sean Millard

MWF 10:10-11:00, 121B WMS
(Liberal Studies/Gordon Rule)

This course will serve as an introduction to the core areas of philosophy. Some of the central questions that will be addressed are: What makes for good reasoning? Does God really exist? When and how do we truly have knowledge? What makes an action morally right or wrong? After a survey of previously suggested answers by various philosophers, students will be encouraged to come up with their own conclusions regarding such questions.

