



FACULTY OF ARTS  
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

**PHIL 307 L1**  
**Nineteenth or Twentieth Century Analytic Philosophy**  
**Winter Term 2017**

**Course Outline**

**Class Meetings: TuTh 9:30 AM – 10:45 AM TRB 101**

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**Course Description**

This course introduces analytic philosophy by focusing on three topics of central concern to analytic philosophers. First, we'll study knowledge: in particular, its constitution and relationship to evidence. Second, we'll study mind: in particular, what we can learn about the mind by thinking about the nature of experience and consciousness. Third, we'll focus on language and representation: how it is that we can use language to represent different states of the world.

**Course Learning Outcomes**

- To examine the debate over the nature and analysis of knowledge that has taken place over the last fifty years.
- To examine several key late-twentieth century contributions to the study of experience and consciousness.
- To examine several key late-twentieth century contributions to our understanding of linguistic and mental representation.

**Required/Recommended Texts (including electronic resources):**

- All required readings will be articles available through the U of C library. Details and links will be provided on D2L.

**Course Assessment**

- Two exams (worth 30% of the grade each; Feb. 7 and March 14).
- One Quiz (worth 10% of the grade; April 11).
- One paper, in two drafts (worth 30% of the grade; draft Due March 30<sup>th</sup> and Final paper due April 17). The draft is worth 2% and the final is worth 28%. Unless arrangements are made in advance, I'll deduct 1/2 letter grade per day. This goes for both the draft and the final.

A+ 97-100%   B+ 84-88%   C+ 69-73%   D+ 54-58%  
A 93-96%   B 79-83%   C 64-68%   D 50-53%  
A- 89-92%   B- 74-78%   C- 59-63%   F 0-49%

## Course Policies:

- Screens (cell phones, computers, tablets) are banned in class, unless an independent arrangement is made beforehand with the professor. If you use a screen during class, you run the risk of public humiliation.
- If you can't make it to one of the exams, or the quiz, convincing reason must be given and arrangements must be made in advance. Make-up exams will be different.

## IMPORTANT DEPARTMENTAL, FACULTY AND UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

### Academic Honesty

Cheating or plagiarism on any assignment or examination is regarded as an extremely serious academic offence, the penalty for which may be an F on the assignment, an F in the course, academic probation, or requirement to withdraw from the University. See the relevant sections on 'Academic Misconduct' in the current University Calendar. Intellectual honesty requires that your work include adequate referencing to sources. Plagiarism occurs when you do not acknowledge or correctly reference your sources. If you have questions about correct referencing, consult your instructor.

### Academic Accommodation

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services. SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For more information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <http://www.ucalgary.ca/access/>. Students who require accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their instructor. The full policy on student accommodations is available at [http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy\\_0.pdf](http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.pdf)

### D2L Help

Desire2Learn is UCalgary's online learning management system. Important information and communications about this course may be posted on D2L. Go to <http://www.ucalgary.ca/it/services/d2l> for help.

### General Academic Concerns and Program Planning

Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students Centre is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Drop in at SS102, call 403-220-3580, or email [ascarts@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca). Advisors in the ASC can also provide assistance and advice in planning your program through to graduation. Visit the Faculty of Arts website at <https://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> for detailed information on common academic concerns

### Advice on Philosophy Courses

You may find answers to your more specific questions about a philosophy degree on the Department of Philosophy's website <http://phil.ucalgary.ca>, or contact one of Philosophy's Undergraduate Advisors. Jeremy Fantl ([jfantl@ucalgary.ca](mailto:jfantl@ucalgary.ca)), Reid Buchanan ([buchanan@ucalgary.ca](mailto:buchanan@ucalgary.ca)), Megan Delehanty ([mdelehan@ucalgary.ca](mailto:mdelehan@ucalgary.ca)).

### Registration Overload/Prereq Waivers

If you are seeking to register in a Philosophy course that is full or to get permission to waive the prereqs for a course, email the Department Manager, Merlette Schnell ([schnell@ucalgary.ca](mailto:schnell@ucalgary.ca)). Include the specific course information and your UCID number in your request.

### Writing

This course will include written assignments. Faculty policy directs that all written assignments (including, although to a lesser extent, written exam responses) will be assessed at least partly on writing skills. Writing skills include not only surface correctness (grammar, punctuation, sentence structure, etc.) but also general clarity and organization. Research papers must be properly documented. Students are also encouraged to use Writing Support Services and other Student Success Centre Services, located on the 3rd floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library. Writing Support Services assist with a variety of assignments, from essays to lab reports. Students can book 30-minute one-on-one appointments online, sign up for 15-minute drop-in appointments, and register for a variety of writing workshops. For more information on this and other Student Success Centre services, please visit [www.ucalgary.ca/ssc](http://www.ucalgary.ca/ssc).

### Protection of Privacy

The University of Calgary is under the jurisdiction of the provincial Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act. The Department of Philosophy ensures the student's right to privacy by requiring all graded assignments be returned to the student directly from the instructor or teaching assistant.

**Internet and Electronic Communication Devices**

The instructor reserves the right to establish policies regarding the use of devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartbooks in their lecture. If allowed, these devices must be used exclusively for instructional purposes and must not cause disruption to the instructor or to fellow students. Cell phones and paging devices should be set to silent mode during lectures. Audio or video recording of lectures is not permitted without the written permission of the instructor. Students violating this policy are subject to discipline under the University of Calgary's Non-Academic Misconduct policy

**Emergency Evacuation:**

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at <http://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints> . Please check this website and note the nearest assembly point for this course.

**Other Helpful Contacts**

- Safewalk and Campus Security: 403-220-5333.
- Faculty of Arts Student Representatives: 403-220-6552, [arts1@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts1@su.ucalgary.ca) , [arts2@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts2@su.ucalgary.ca), [arts3@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts3@su.ucalgary.ca), [arts4@su.ucalgary.ca](mailto:arts4@su.ucalgary.ca) .
- Student Ombudsman: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>