

Human societies are generally organized by laws. In this class we will look at the idea of law through the lens of philosophical analysis. Among other things, we will consider the authority of government, the relationship between law and morality, legal rights and the limits of freedom. **No Prerequisites are needed to take this course.**

In this class you will...

- ▶ Gain broad knowledge of the issues in the philosophy of law;
- ▶ Critically assess, interpret, and analyze philosophical and legal texts;
- ▶ Write convincing philosophical argument that takes adequate account of alternative positions;
- ▶ Engage in constructive, respectful, oral and written debate

There is no textbook for this class; all our readings are available online.

Grade	Score	Week	Tuesday	Thursday	Due
A+	96	1		10-Jan	
A	91	2	15-Jan	17-Jan	Quiz 1
A-	86	3	22-Jan	24-Jan	Assignment 1
B+	81	4	29-Jan	31-Jan	
B	76	5	05-Feb	07-Feb	Quiz 2
B-	71	6	12-Feb	14-Feb	Assignment 2
C+	66	7	19-Feb	21-Feb	Break
C	61	8	26-Feb	28-Feb	Quiz 3
C-	56	9	05-Mar	07-Mar	Assignment 3
D+	51	10	12-Mar	14-Mar	
D	46	11	19-Mar	21-Mar	
F	0	12	26-Mar	28-Mar	Quiz 4
		13	02-Apr	04-Apr	Assignment 4
		14	09-Apr	11-Apr	Term Paper



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Hi, my name is Caleb Lee, you can call me Caleb. I received a PhD here at the U of C, in 2016. My research was on the idea of belief and what makes a belief good. I have been teaching here on and off since 2012. I also teach at SAIT and work part time as a flight attendant for WestJet.



Come to class and ask questions about content and assignments



Email me questions unique to your situation. I check my email on days we have class



Come talk to me in my office after class on Thursdays for more in-depth questions or concerns

- ▶ There will be four short written assignments (worth 10% each)
- ▶ There will be four short online quizzes (worth 10% each)
- ▶ There will also be a term paper (worth 20%)
- ▶ A+'s are reserved for exceptional work
- ▶ Details about the assignments and the paper will be available on D2L
- ▶ No late assignments save in exceptional circumstances
- ▶ Submit all assignments to the appropriate drop box in D2L
- ▶ There will not be a registrar-scheduled final exam
- ▶ Writing and the grading thereof is a factor in evaluating your work
- ▶ You do not need to pass any single component of the course to pass the course

IMPORTANT DEPARTMENTAL, FACULTY AND UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Academic Honesty

Cheating or plagiarism on any assignment or examination is regarded as an extremely serious academic offense, the penalty for which will be an F on the assignment or an F in the course, and possibly a disciplinary sanction such as probation, suspension, or expulsion. See the relevant section K.5 on 'Academic Misconduct' in the current University Calendar <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-5.html>.

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

The student accommodation policy can be found at: ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy.

Students needing an Accommodation because of a disability or medical condition should communicate this need to Student Accessibility Services in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities <http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf>.

Students needing an Accommodation based on a Protected Ground other than Disability, should communicate this need, preferably in writing, to their instructor.

D2L Help

Desire2Learn is UCalgary's online learning management system. Important information and communications about this course may be posted on D2L. Go to <https://ucalgary.service-now.com/it> 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. 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/advising> 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. David Dick – Undergraduate Program Director (dgdick@ucalgary.ca), Megan Delehanty – Honors Advisor (mdelehan@ucalgary.ca) or Allen Habib (anhabib@ucalgary.ca).

Registration Overload/Prerequisite Waivers

If you are seeking to register in a Philosophy course that is full or to get permission to waive the prerequisites for a course, email the Philosophy Department Undergraduate Program Administrator (UPA), Rebecca Lesser (rebecca.lesser@ucalgary.ca). Include the specific course information and your UCID number in your request.

Writing

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.

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 course policies regarding the use of devices such as laptops, tablets, and smartbooks. 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, arts2@su.ucalgary.ca, arts3@su.ucalgary.ca, arts4@su.ucalgary.ca

Student Union: <https://www.su.ucalgary.ca/>; 403-220-6551.

Student Ombudsman: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds>

Campus Mental Health Strategy: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/mentalhealth/>

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