

# FACULTY OF ARTS DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

# Phil 383 Lec 60 – "Philosophy and Psychology" Summer Term 2013 Course Outline

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**Office:** SS1206 (office hour: M 15:00-1600) **Lectures:** MW 12:00-14:45 (SA 121)

# **Course Description**

This course provides an introduction to some central themes and problems in the philosophy of mind and psychology. Topics to be addressed include the relationship between the mental and the physical, and the nature of mental phenomena, such as consciousness and perception. A variety of positions, both classical and contemporary, will be considered.

## **Required Texts**

I will supply a list of articles, each of which is available in an e-journal to which the University of Calgary library subscribes or will be posted on Blackboard.

#### **Evaluation**

The final grade will be determined by a term paper (5-6 pages, double-spaced, 12 point font) worth 30% (due on Wednesday, August 7), a midterm in-class exam worth 30% (given on Monday, July 22), and a take home final exam worth 40% (due on Friday, August 16). Accordingly, writing and the grading thereof will be a factor in evaluation. Writing should be clear, coherent, and succinct. There is no registrar-scheduled final exam and there is no particular assignment that you have to pass to pass the course.

Policy on late assignments: Late assignments will not be accepted unless a university recognized ground for delay (e.g., illness, bereavement) is provided. Note: a busy schedule, vacation, and employment are not university recognized grounds for delay. So, for example, if you are going on holiday this summer and will not be around for the midterm, you will receive a grade of zero on that assignment.

Submitting assignments: Essays are to be submitted in class or in the Phil 383 Lec 60 assignment drop slot, which can be found in the Philosophy Department (SS 12<sup>th</sup> floor). Final exams are to be submitted in the assignment drop slot. For an assignment to be considered on time, I have to receive a hard copy of the assignment by 4pm on the day it is due. Assignments will not be accepted via email (or otherwise electronically), or under my office door, under any circumstances.

Grading criteria: Grading is more of an art than a science, but as a rough guide your assignments will be graded according to the following criteria: (1) degree of understanding of the material, (2) quality of philosophical argument, and (3) clarity of expression.

The following conversion table will be used to calculate final letter grades:

< 50%	F	60-63	C-	70-74	B-	86-91	A-
50-54	D	64-66	С	75-79	В	92-96	Α
55-59	D+	67-69	C+	80-85	B+	97-100	A+

#### **Academic Honesty**

Cheating or plagiarism on any assignment or examination is regarded as an extremely serious academic office, 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**

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodation. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, contact the DRC Office at 403-220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

#### **Blackboard Help**

Go to <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/computersupport/onlineservices/blackboard">http://www.ucalgary.ca/computersupport/onlineservices/blackboard</a> for Student Help and FAQs about Blackboard. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are available at <a href="http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/blackboard/students">http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/blackboard/students</a>.

## **Student Advising and Information Resources**

- General Academic Concerns Have a question but not sure where to start? The Faculty of Arts' Program
  Information Centre (PIC) is your information resource for everything in Arts. Drop in at SS110, call 403220-3580, or email <a href="mailto:artsads@ucalgary.ca">artsads@ucalgary.ca</a>. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at
  <a href="http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undersgraduate">http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undersgraduate</a> for detailed information on common academic concerns.
- **Program Planning** For assistance and advice in planning your program through to graduation, contact the Student Success Centre at 403-220-5881 or visit it on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library.
- Advice on Philosophy Courses You may find answers to your more specific questions about a philosophy
  degree on the Department of Philosophy's website <a href="http://phil.ucalgary.ca">http://phil.ucalgary.ca</a> or contact one of Philosophy's
  current Undergraduate Advisors (see below)
- **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, contact the instructor of the course.

# **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.

#### Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representatives

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial, and confidential support for students who require assistance or advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds">www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds</a> for more information. The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at <a href="https://www.arts.org/arts.org/arts.org/">arts.org/arts.or

#### Safewalk

Call 403-220-5333 (24/7/365) for a Safewalk volunteer to accompany you safely to your destination on campus including parking lots, housing, and the LRT station or use a Campus Help Phone.

#### PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

The Department of Philosophy is located on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor of the Social Sciences Building and on the web at <a href="https://www.phil.ucalgary.ca">www.phil.ucalgary.ca</a>

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