

PHIL 408 Lec 01
A Philosopher in the European Tradition: Nietzsche
Winter Term 2018

Course Outline

Lectures: Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30-10:45 in SA 119

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Course Description

This course will focus on Nietzsche's philosophy: we shall study three of his most representative works. We shall also examine one volume of Heidegger's study of Nietzsche, and Gilles Deleuze's *Nietzsche and Philosophy* as a significant and original taking up of Nietzsche's thought in the second half of the 20th Century. Classes will address the relevance of Nietzsche's ideas for contemporary philosophical questions.

Prerequisites:

Two previous courses in Philosophy, one of which must be [Philosophy 309](#) or [311](#).

Course Learning Outcomes

- Students will read difficult, complex books that they are unlikely initially to understand.
 - Further, students will learn to determine whether the book or chapter is positioning itself against another view, either explicitly or implicitly, and be able to state what this view is.
 - Finally, students will acquire the ability to reread and analyze these books on their own and be able to articulate the major and minor arguments made to support the overall argument.
- Students will be able to ask probing and pertinent questions about any material that they do not understand, or ideas that confuse them, or viewpoints with which they disagree. Students will realize that all questions are good questions (with the exception of: "What did we do last class?").
- Students will learn to write essays that contain clear, convincing, grammatically correct arguments.

Required Texts:

Nietzsche, Friedrich. *The Birth of Tragedy and the Case of Wagner*. Trans. Walter Kaufmann.

Nietzsche, Friedrich. *The Gay Science*. Trans. Walter Kaufmann. Paperback.

Nietzsche, Friedrich. *Twilight of the Idols*. Michael Tanner and R. J. Hollingdale Penguin.

Heidegger, Martin. *Nietzsche Volumes One and Two*. Trans. David Farrell Krell

Deleuze, Gilles. *Nietzsche and Philosophy*. Trans. Hugh Tomlinson

Course Assessment

- Participation – 10%. Participation is demonstrated by completing the assigned readings before the seminar, contributing to class discussion, and engaging with other students' presentations.
- Short Class Presentation – 10%.

- Essay (approx. 1800-2000 words) worth 40% – **due February 20th.**
- Take-Home Examination (approx. 1800-2000 words) worth 40% – **due April 13th.**

Papers must be handed directly to me or placed in the Department Dropbox 12th floor of the Social Sciences Building by 4:00 pm on the date due. **Late and emailed assignments will NOT be accepted.**

Writing and the grading thereof is a factor in the evaluation of your work. For further explanation, see the University Calendar: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-2.html>

There will be NO Registrar Scheduled Final Examination

Letter Grade Conversion Table

Grades will be calculated as follows:

F = 0-50	C = 65	B+ = 78
D = 54	C+ = 68	A- = 82
D+ = 58	B- = 72	A = 85
C- = 62	B = 75	A+ = 90

Final Grades will be assigned according to the ranges below:

F = 0-50	C = 63-66.9	B+ = 77-79.9
D = 50-56.9	C+ = 67-69.9	A - = 80-82.9
D+ = 57-59.9	B- = 70-72.9	A = 83-86.9
C- = 60-62.9	B = 73-76.9	A+ = 87-100

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 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

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/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), Allen Habib (anhabib@ucalgary.ca), Megan Delehanty (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, Tram Nguyen (tram.nguyen1@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.

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/>