

University of Calgary  
Department of Philosophy

HONOURS SEMINAR

PHILOSOPHY 597

FALL 2009

TUESDAYS 9:30-12:00

SOCIAL SCIENCE 1253

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*Meeting dates:* Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>

#### *Requirements*

- Attendance at all meetings.
- 3-4 pages (~1000 words) describing your intended project, and a bibliography of everything you have read or intend to read at this point. Due Oct 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 20 minute presentation on the topic of your thesis. (Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>)
- 4-5 pages (~1200 words) describing your project and progress made over the Fall term, complete with bibliography. Due December 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### *Grading*

The grade for the seminar will be weighted as follows: 70% on satisfactory progress on the thesis project, 30% on the class presentation. The progress grade will be determined on the basis of the two project descriptions and consultation with your supervisor. In computing your final grade, your marks on individual components will be converted to grade points as defined in the calendar (A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0).

## **INTELLECTUAL HONESTY**

Intellectual honesty is the cornerstone of the development and acquisition of knowledge and requires that the contribution of others be acknowledged. As a result, 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 and possibly also an F in the course, academic probation, or requirement to withdraw. The University Calendar states that plagiarism exists when:

- *the work submitted or presented was done, in whole or in part, by an individual other than the one submitting or presenting the work (this includes having another impersonate the student or otherwise substituting the work of another for one's own in an examination or test;*
- *parts of the work are taken from another source without reference to the original author;*
- *the whole work (e.g., an essay) is copied from another source; and/or*
- *a student submits or presents work in one course which has also been submitted in another course (although it may be completely original with that student) without the knowledge of or prior agreement of the instructor involved.*

While it is recognized that scholarly work often involves reference to the ideas, data and conclusions of other scholars, intellectual honesty requires that such references be explicitly and clearly noted. Plagiarism is an extremely serious offence. Plagiarism occurs not only when direct quotations are taken from a source without specific acknowledgement, but also when original ideas or data from the source are not acknowledged. A bibliography is insufficient to establish which portions of the student's work are taken from external sources; footnotes or other recognized forms of citation must be used for this purpose.

## **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, please contact their office at 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.

## **STUDENTS' UNION REPRESENTATIVE**

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