

OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: PHIL 210		Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)																	
Course Full Title: Contemporary Issues in Morality & Politics																			
Course Short Title (if title exceeds 30 characters): Contmp lss in Morality & Politics																			
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities		Department (or program if no department): Philosophy																	
Calendar Description: Through seminars and directed reading, problems of current interest in moral and political philosophy are dealt with, including conflicts between dominant moral theories, between the demands of morality and of politics, and between theories of justice, freedom, and human nature.																			
Prerequisites (or NONE):		15 university-level credits.																	
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):		None																	
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):		None																	
Equivalent Courses (cannot be taken for additional credit) Former course code/number: Cross-listed with: Equivalent course(s): <i>Note: Equivalent course(s) should be included in the calendar description by way of a note that students with credit for the equivalent course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.</i>		Transfer Credit Transfer credit already exists: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Transfer credit requested (OReg to submit to BCCAT): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No (if yes, fill in transfer credit form) Resubmit revised outline for articulation: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No To find out how this course transfers, see bctransferguide.ca .																	
Total Hours: 45 Typical structure of instructional hours: <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Lecture hours</td> <td>15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seminars/tutorials/workshops</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Laboratory hours</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Field experience hours</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Experiential (practicum, internship, etc.)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Online learning activities</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other contact hours:</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>45</td> </tr> </table>		Lecture hours	15	Seminars/tutorials/workshops	30	Laboratory hours		Field experience hours		Experiential (practicum, internship, etc.)		Online learning activities		Other contact hours:		Total	45	Special Topics Will the course be offered with different topics? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, different lettered courses may be taken for credit: <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, repeat(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, no limit <i>Note: The specific topic will be recorded when offered.</i>	
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		Maximum enrolment (for information only): 28 Expected frequency of course offerings (every semester, annually, every other year, etc.): Every two years																	
Department / Program Head or Director: Wayne Henry		Date approved: May 2017																	
Faculty Council approval		Date approved: June 2, 2017																	
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)		Date of posting: n/a																	
Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte		Date approved: June 2, 2017																	
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval		Date of meeting: August 31, 2017																	

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Articulate core concepts, theories and issues in political and moral theory
2. Interpret contemporary issues through the lens of political and moral theory
3. Write clear, rational and persuasive argumentative essays
4. Demonstrate a detailed understanding of the way politics and morality intersect both theoretically and in practice

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)

☒ Yes ☐ No, PLAR cannot be awarded for this course because

Typical Instructional Methods (guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion)

Lectures and discussions.

Grading system: Letter Grades: ☒ Credit/No Credit: ☐ Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: Yes ☐ No ☒

NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (if more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form)

Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year
1. Wenz, Peter	Political Philosophies in Moral Conflict	<input type="checkbox"/>	McGraw Hill	2007
2. Cahn, Steven M.	Classics of Political and Moral Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oxford	2011
3. Smith, Paul	Moral and Political Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/>	Palgrave Macmillan	2008
4. Koggel, Christine M.	Moral and Political Theory	<input type="checkbox"/>	Broadview	2006
5. Rawls, John	A Theory of Justice	<input type="checkbox"/>	Harvard University Press	1971

Required Additional Supplies and Materials (software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)**Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting**

Final exam:	30%	Assignments:	50%	Midterm exam:	%	Practicum:	%
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Field experience:	%	Shop work:	%
Presentations (1):	10%	Participation:	10%	Other:	%	Total:	100%

Details (if necessary):

Typical Course Content and Topics

1. Introduction to Ethical Theory
2. Ethical Theory
3. Introduction to Political philosophy
4. Utilitarianism and the Death Penalty
5. Libertarianism, Kantianism and the War on Drugs
6. Capitalism, Property Rights and Rawl's Theory of Justice
7. Free Market Conservatism and Virtue Ethics
8. Communitarianism and the legalization of prostitution
9. Multiculturalism
10. Feminism and the Ethics of Care
11. Environmentalism and the free market
12. Just War Theory and the ethics of autonomy
13. Genetic Engineering and stem cell research