



FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 259 Lec 02 – *Sex, Love, and Death*

Winter Term 2013

Course Outline

Lectures: Tues & Thurs 12:30-13:45; ST 145

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Course Description

This course will examine philosophical understandings of the concept of love and philosophical responses to the fact that we are all mortal. It will also consider conceptions of identity in relation to biological sex, gender, and various sexual orientations.

Required Texts

Plato, *The Trial and Death of Socrates*. Hackett

Plato, *The Symposium*. Trans. with introduction by Alexander Nehamas and Paul Woodruff. Hackett.

Course Pack to be purchased at the bookstore.

Evaluation

Essay worth 30% -- **due February 26th**, at the beginning of class that day.

In-class test worth 20% -- **February 28th**

In-class test worth 10% -- **April 11th**

Tutorial participation 10%

Registrar Scheduled Final Examination 30%

The in-class tests **must** be written on the date specified unless medical documentation is provided.

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

Grading Method

Grades on assignments will be assigned the corresponding numbered grade: A+ = 88; A = 85; A- = 82; B+ = 78; B = 75; B- = 72; C+ = 68; C = 65; C- = 62; D+ = 58; D = 55; D- = 53; F = 40.

Final Grades will be assigned according to the ranges below:

A+ = 87-100; A = 84-86.9; A- = 80-83.9; B+ = 77-79.9; B = 74-76.9; B- = 70-73.9; C+ = 67-69.9; C = 64-66.9; C- = 60-63.9; D+ = 57-59.9; D = 50-56.9; F = 49.9 or less.

Policy on Late Assignments

Late and emailed papers will not be accepted.

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 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, 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 REPRESENTATIVES

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY (FOIP) ACT

The University of Calgary is under the jurisdiction of the provincial FOIP Act in all aspects of its operations as a publicly funded institution. 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.

SAFEWALK

Call 403-220-5333 (24 hours a day/7 days a week/365 days a year) for a Safewalk volunteer to accompany you safely to your destination on campus including parking lots, housing, and LRT station. Or use a Campus Help phone.

PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT

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