



**FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY**

PHIL 275 Lec 01 – “Scientific & Critical Reasoning”

Fall Term 2013

Course Outline

Lectures: Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 1300 -1350

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Required Text

Stan Baronett, *Logic*, Oxford University Press (2nd edition)

Course Description

Arguments are used in everyday life, and in every discipline of academia, to persuade an audience of the truth of certain claims. This course engages in the practice of identifying the structure of arguments as well as distinguishing good arguments from those that are bad. This course will also introduce a formal language along with a natural deduction system for elementary formal logic. The final grade will be determined by three assignments and four in-class tests. (There is no Registrar-scheduled final exam for this course.) Missed tests and late assignments will be the assigned a grade of zero unless a university approved justification is provided.

Students are strongly encouraged to attend and participate in tutorials, especially to work through any difficulties that are encountered doing assigned exercises.

All assignments will be submitted into a drop-box located in the department of philosophy by 4 PM on the dates indicated below. Assignments will not be accepted via email under any circumstances.

Assignment 1	Given Sept. 16, Due Sept. 23	10 %
Test 1	Oct. 2	20 %
Assignment 2	Given Oct. 11, Due Oct. 18	10 %
Test 2	Oct. 28	20 %
Assignment 3	Given Nov. 6, Due Nov. 13	10 %
Test 3	Nov. 22	20 %
Test 4	Dec. 6	10 %

Grading Scale

96-100 = A+	80-85 = B+	67-69 = C+	55-59 = D+
91-95 = A	75-79 = B	64-66 = C	50-54 = D
86-90 = A-	70-74 = B-	60-63 = C-	< 50 = F

Academic Honesty

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, 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 permanent disability or temporary impairment who may require academic accommodation, you must first register with the Student Accessibility Resource Office located in MacEwan Student Centre 452; phone 403-220-8237; email access@ucalgary.ca. Students who have not registered with the Student Accessibility Office are not eligible for 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. Go to <http://www.ucalgary.ca/access/> for further information.

Blackboard Help

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

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 403-220-3580, or email artsads@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undersgraduate> 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 3rd 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 <http://phil.ucalgary.ca> 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, email 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. For more information, see www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds. For the Students' Union Faculty of Arts rep: arts1@ucalgary.ca.

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 12th floor of the Social Sciences Building and on the web at www.phil.ucalgary.ca

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