

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

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PHIL 311: *Twentieth Century European Philosophy*

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OFFICE HOURS: Thurs 3:30-4:30 *and* by appointment any day.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

In this course, we shall study the development of continental philosophy from the early twentieth century to contemporary continental philosophy. We shall examine the philosophical ideas of thinkers from a range of philosophical movements: phenomenology, the Frankfurt School, Existentialism, and post-structuralism. The material in the course explores questions of ontology, epistemology, language, consciousness, subjectivity, and ethics.

TEXTS:

Heidegger, *Basic Writings*. Ed. David Farrell Krell. Harper.

Horkheimer, *Eclipse of Reason*. Continuum

Sartre, *Essays in Existentialism*. Carol Publishing Corporation // Citadel.

Kristeva, *Strangers to Ourselves*. Columbia.

Derrida, *On Cosmopolitanism and Forgiveness*. Routledge

Badiou, *Ethics: An Essay on the Understanding of Evil*. Verso

ASSIGNMENTS:

First paper (approx. 1000-1200 words) worth 30 % – **due October 1st**

Second paper (approx. 1000-1200 words) worth 30% – **due November 10th**

Take-home Exam (approx. 1200- 1500 words) worth 40% -- **due December 4th**

There will be NO Registrar Scheduled Final Exam.

Grades will be calculated as follows: A+ = 95; A = 90; A- = 85; B+ = 78; B = 75; B- = 72;

C+ = 68; C = 65; C- = 62; D+ = 58; D = 55.

Late papers will not be accepted.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU READ THE STATEMENT ON INTELLECTUAL HONESTY

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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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