



UNIVERSITY OF
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FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 311 Lec 1
Twentieth Century European Philosophy
Winter Term 2015

Course Outline

Lectures: Thursdays 15:30-18:15 in SA 124A

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Course Description

In this course, we study the development of continental philosophy from the early twentieth century to contemporary continental philosophy. We 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. Class participation is strongly encouraged. I expect students to come to class having read the material and to raise questions and engage in the discussions throughout the term.

Required 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. (recommended)
Badiou, *Ethics: An Essay on the Understanding of Evil*. Verso
Derrida, *On Cosmopolitanism and Forgiveness*. Routledge

Course Requirements:

Participation – 10%. Participation is demonstrated by completing the assigned readings before the seminar and contributing to class discussion.

First paper (approx. 1000-1200 words): 30% – **due February 16th** in the drop box.

In-class test: 30% – **March 26th**

Take-home Exam Essay (approx. 1000- 1200 words): 30% -- **due April 13th** in the drop box.

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

There will be NO Registrar Scheduled Final Examination.

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

Grading Method

Grades will be calculated as follows: D- = 52; D = 55; D+ = 58; C- = 62; C = 65; C+ = 68;

B- = 72; B = 75; B+ = 78; A- = 82; A = 85; A+ = 90

Final Grades will be assigned according to the ranges below:

F = 0-40; D = 50-56; D+ = 57-59; C- = 60-63; C = 64-66; C+ = 67-69; B- = 70-73; B = 74-76; B+ = 77-79; A- = 80-83; A = 84-86; A+ = 87-100;

Policy on Late Assignments

Late and emailed papers will not be accepted.

Papers must be handed directly to me or placed in the Department Dropbox 12th floor of the Social Sciences Building by 4:00 pm on the date due

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.

D2L Help

Desire2Learn is the University of Calgary's learning management system which has now replaced BlackBoard. Go to <http://www.elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/> for help in using Desire2Learn.

Student Advising and Information Resources

- General Academic Concerns and Program Planning— 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. Advisors in the PIC Office can also provide assistance and advice in planning your program through to graduation. You can visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> for detailed information on common academic concerns.
- **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.