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Philosophy 471 Lec 01 – Philosophy of Language

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Course Outline

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Course Description

This course is an introduction to the philosophy of language. The topics of study include (i) Frege's foundations of philosophical semantics, (ii) rigid designation, direct reference, and indexicality, (iii) propositions, propositional functions, and propositional attitudes, (iv) truth.

Required Texts

Scott Soames, *Philosophy of Language*, Princeton University Press.

A. P. Martinich and D. Sosa (eds.), *The Philosophy of Language*, Sixth Edition, Oxford University Press.

Evaluation

There will be two take-home assignments. The first take-home assignment, weighted 40% of the final mark, will be given on February 9th and will be due on February 23rd. The second take-home assignment, weighted 50% of the final mark, will be given on March 23rd and will be due on April 6th. In addition to these take-home assignments, there will be an in-class test, weighted 10% of the final mark, on April 15th. No late coursework will be accepted under normal circumstances. There will be no Registrar-scheduled final examination. The following table will be used to calculate letter grades from the final marks:

0-45% F	56-60% C-	71-75% B-	86-90% A-
45-50% D	61-65% C	76-80% B	91-95% A
51-55% D+	66-70% C+	81-85% B+	96-100% A+

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

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Student Advising and Information Resources

- General Academic Concerns and Program Planning— Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students' Centre (ASC) is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Drop in at SS110, call 403-220-3580, or email artsads@ucalgary.ca. Advisors in the ASC 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 more 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.

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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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