

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 671 Lec 01
Philosophy of Logic and Philosophy of Language
Topic 1: "The Logic and Metaphysics of Modality"

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Course Outline
(Offered jointly with PHIL 571)

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Course Description

This course will begin with an examination of objections raised by W. V. Quine against quantified modal logic and responses to these objections including those by Arthur Smullyan, David Kaplan, and John Burgess. This will be followed by a study of Saul Kripke's work on modality.

Required Reading

Saul Kripke, *Naming and Necessity*.

A Course Reading Pack will be placed on reserve in the Department of Philosophy Reading Room.

Evaluation

Course evaluation will be based on two take-home assignments each for 25% of the final mark and an essay for 50% of the final mark. The first assignment will be handed out on October 6 and it will be due on October 15. The second assignment will be handed out on November 5 and it will be due on November 17. The essay will be due on December 8. There will be no Registrar-scheduled final exam. Late term work will not be accepted under normal circumstances. The following table will be used to convert numerical grades into letter grades:

A+	96-100	B+	81-85	C+	66-70	D+	51-55
A	91-95	B	76-80	C	61-65	D	46-50
A-	86-90	B-	71-75	C-	56-60	F	0-45