

# PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES (PHIL)

## **PHIL 100 F Introduction to Philosophy** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course introduces students to the origins and central themes in philosophy, with a focus on theories of reality, knowledge, and ethics. In doing so, the course will consider various viewpoints, problems, and issues regarding human nature, moral and religious understanding, knowledge of self and the world, and other selected topics, using fundamental methods of analysis in philosophy. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC Credit Limitation) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC (C-ID: PHIL 100)

## **PHIL 100HF Honors Introduction to Philosophy** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This Honors-enhanced course introduces students to the origins and central themes in philosophy, with a focus on theories of reality, knowledge, and ethics. In doing so, the course will consider various viewpoints, problems, and issues regarding human nature, moral and religious understanding, knowledge of self and the world, and other selected topics, using fundamental methods of analysis in philosophy. As an Honors section, this class will employ enhanced teaching methods such as a seminar approach, more research-based writing assignments, and assignments calling for a higher level of critical thinking. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC Credit Limitation) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC (C-ID: PHIL 100)

## **PHIL 101 F Introduction to Religious Studies** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course is an introductory study of religion with emphasis on the origins and functions of religion, religious experience, and religious and theological modes of expression. Course content will be drawn from Eastern and Western traditions, ancient, medieval and modern times. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 105 F World Religions** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course provides an overview of the world religions, with major emphasis upon Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. This course fulfills the Multicultural Education Requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC Credit Limitation) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 105HF Honors World Religions** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This Honors-enhanced course provides an overview of the world religions, with major emphasis upon Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. This course fulfills the Multicultural Education Requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC Credit Limitation) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 135 F Social and Political Philosophy** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. The course is an introduction to social, psychological, and political philosophies, ancient and modern; inquiry into views of human nature, the nature and varieties of social institutions, the personal and social implications of the human experience, and other selected topics. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 160 F Introduction to Ethics** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course will survey basic ethical theories encountered throughout the history of philosophy in order to show how they have affected analysis of various ethical problems and their solutions both for the individual and societies. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC (C-ID: PHIL 120)

## **PHIL 170 F Logic and Critical Thinking** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course focuses on an understanding of the relationship of language to logic, which should lead to the ability to identify and evaluate various inductive and deductive arguments. The course is also concerned that students become aware of semantic confusions and of the nature and importance of definitions. The minimal competence expected of the student is the ability to distinguish fact from judgment, belief from knowledge and skills in inductive and deductive processes, including an understanding of the formal and informal fallacies. The evaluation of an extended argument may be required by the instructor and designed to satisfy the critical thinking requirement for those planning to transfer to the CSU system. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE (C-ID: PHIL 110)

## **PHIL 172 F Critical Thinking and Writing** 3 Units

**Prerequisite(s):** ENGL 100 F or ENGL 100HF or ENGL 101 F or ENGL 110 F with a grade of C or better.

54 hours lecture per term. This course will cover all the standard topics of a traditional critical thinking course: Form vs. Content; Inductive vs. Deductive logic; validity, truth and soundness or good definitions; and the standard formal and informal fallacies as reflected in evaluative writing. Progress toward the refining of various writing skills will be evaluated in the writing and re-writing of the extended argument as well as other areas of the course. This course is specifically designed to meet the IGETC critical thinking/writing requirement. This course fulfills the reading requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC (C-ID: ENGL 105)

## **PHIL 195 F Women's Issues in Philosophy** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course will look at philosophical issues with which women in philosophy are concerned, such as theoretical accounts of the relations between men and women, theories of knowledge, world views, and the question of social justice. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 200 F Introduction to Christianity** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course will provide an introduction to the Christian religion, giving attention to the history of its development. Its scriptures, rituals, and beliefs will be examined, as well as important persons, groups, and events which have developed among the Roman, Orthodox, and Protestant communities of Christianity. This course fulfills the Multicultural Education Requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

## **PHIL 201 F History of Philosophy: Ancient and Medieval** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course is a historical introduction to the western philosophic tradition. Selected philosophers will be examined from each of the following periods: Ancient Greek and Medieval. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE (C-ID: PHIL 130)

## **PHIL 202 F History of Philosophy: Modern and Contemporary** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course is a historical introduction to the western philosophic tradition. Selected philosophers will be examined from each of the following periods: modern and contemporary. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE (C-ID: PHIL 140)

## **PHIL 210 F Introduction to Judaism** 3 Units

54 hours lecture per term. This course will provide an introduction to the religion of Judaism, with emphasis given to its historical development, scriptures, laws, rituals, customs, and theology. Attention will also be given to the modern developments of Judaism. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

**PHIL 220 F The Holocaust (formerly PHIL 198AF) 3 Units**

54 hours lecture per term. This course will provide a review of the forces which resulted in the Jewish experience known as the Holocaust, the events that transpired during this period, and subsequent Jewish life after the Holocaust. In addition, reflections by both Jews and non-Jews on the Holocaust will be examined, as well as reflections on genocide in general. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

**PHIL 225 F The American Religious Experience 3 Units**

54 hours lecture per term. This course provides an overview of religious life in America, with the emphasis upon how the American cultural experience has shaped the religions of Africa, Europe, and Asia in their American manifestations. Particular focus will be given to religious thinking, ethics, rituals, and institutional forms. This course fulfills the Multicultural Education Requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) CSU GE, IGETC

**PHIL 250 F The Religion of Islam 3 Units**

54 hours lecture per term. This course provides an introduction to the study of the religion of Islam, with emphasis upon its history, its main teachings, and its major practices. Topics to be studied include the rise and spread of Islam, scriptures, law, theology and philosophy, mysticism, rituals, and modern developments. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

**PHIL 270 F Introduction to Asian Religions 3 Units**

54 hours lecture per term. This course provides an overview of the variety of religious traditions and communities found throughout Asia. This course fulfills the Multicultural Education Requirement for graduation. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC) AA GE, CSU GE, IGETC

**PHIL 299 F Philosophy Independent Study 1 Unit**

54 hours independent study per term. This course is for students who wish to extend their knowledge of a particular area through individual research and study. Topics might develop out of a curiosity stimulated in a regular class. Students will then contact the supervising instructor to develop a learning contract for their particular interest so that they can learn more regarding their chosen specific topic. Students successfully completing this course will be awarded elective credit in the Social Sciences area. (Degree Credit) (CSU) (UC review required)