

## **PHIL 205: Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation**

Monday and Wednesday: 9-9:50, PAS 201  
For Friday discussion section time and place, see below

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### **Course Overview**

This course explores philosophical ideas about the division of labor, the basis of social cooperation, and views about wealth and property. There will be two long units on the history of philosophy (which will constitute about two-thirds of the course) and three short units on contemporary issues (which will constitute about a third).

### **Academic Integrity**

You are expected to know and strictly follow the University of Arizona Code of Academic Integrity. Read the Code thoroughly, if you have not already done so. You can find it at:

<http://w3.arizona.edu/%7Estudpubs/policies/cacaint.htm>.

Any violation of academic integrity — any instance of cheating — is grounds for the unconditional failure of the course and possible expulsion from the University.

### **Code of Conduct**

- Students are expected to behave appropriately and to treat others with respect while in class.
- Students will turn off all electronic equipment during class; that includes cell phones and computers.
- Students cannot enter class after five minutes past the hour.
- Unless they are ill or have an emergency, students may not leave during class.
- Students will remain attentive throughout and right up until the end of the class period: there will be no chatting during the lectures, and there will be no gathering of papers and inching toward the doorway in the final five minutes.

By choosing to remain enrolled in this class, you agree to follow all the elements of this code of conduct.

### **Readings**

All of the readings for this class will be accessible from the D2L course-page. You will be expected to have completed each reading on the day it is assigned.

### **Lecture Notes**

Notes from each day's lecture will be accessible from the D2L course-page. These notes will appear within a week of the class in question. Please be aware that downloading the lecture notes *will not serve as a satisfactory substitute* for attending class and doing the reading. They are *notes*, not a complete statement of everything you will be expected to know.

### **Requirements**

## **Attendance and Participation**

You are expected to attend and pay close attention to every lecture. You should do the assigned reading before each lecture. You are also expected to attend and participate in your Friday discussion section. Your attendance and participation in discussion section will count for 5% of your grade.

## **Midterm Exams**

There will be two midterm exams. The first will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup>. The second will be held on November 9<sup>th</sup>. The exams will cover both the lectures *and* the readings; you are responsible for knowing the material assigned, even if some of it was not explicitly discussed in the lecture. Each midterm exam will count for 20% of your grade.

## **Writing Assignment**

There will be two short writing assignments. The first will be due on September 11. The second will be due on October 23. Each writing assignment will count for 10% of your grade.

## **Final Exam**

There will be a final exam on Friday, December 18, from 8am to 10am. This exam time was set by the University several months ago. You should make your travel plans accordingly. The final exam will count for 35% of your grade.

## **Grading Summary**

5% Attendance and participation in Friday discussion sections  
10% First writing assignment  
20% First midterm exam  
10% Second writing assignment  
20% Second midterm exam  
35% Final exam

## **A note on missed exams and late assignments**

If you have a legitimate excuse for missing an exam or handing in a late paper, please let your T.A. know about it before or *very shortly after* (i.e., within 24 hours) the date on which the exam is to be held or the paper is due. Make-up exams will be given only to those with a legitimate and timely excuse for missing the scheduled exam. Papers

with a legitimate and prompt excuse will not be penalized. Papers that are handed in between 1 and 48 hours late without a legitimate excuse will be docked one grade (e.g., a B paper will be recorded as a C). Papers that are handed in between 48 and 72 hours late will be docked one and a half grades (e.g., a B paper will be recorded as a C-). Papers that are handed in more than 72 hours late will be docked two grades (e.g., a B paper will be recorded as a D). Papers will not be accepted and make-up exams will not be given after the assignments in question have been marked and returned to the rest of the class.

### **Friday Discussion Section Times, Places, and Leaders**

<u>Section</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Leader</u>
1	9-9:50	ECE 258	Gill
2	10-10:50	HARV 140	Bukoski
3	11-11:50	MCLND 118	Bukoski
4	9-9:50	HARV 130	Hankins
5	10-10:50	HARV 240	Hankins
6	11-11:50	MCLND 122	Hankins
7	9-9:50	HARV 232	Leonard
8	10-10:50	MCLND 122	Leonard
9	11-11:50	MDLND 126	Leonard
10	9-9:50	S SCI 118	Shahar
11	10-10:50	MCLND 126	Shahar
12	11-11:50	HARV 130	Shahar
13	9-9:50	CHVEZ 306	Zamzow
14	10-10:50	HARV 232	Zamzow
15	11-11:50	HARV 232	Zamzow

## **Schedule**

### Unit 1

August 24:	Introduction and course mechanics
August 26:	Friedman Reading
August 28:	Discussion section
August 31:	Goodpaster Reading
September 2:	Friedman and Goodpaster, continued
September 4:	Discussion section
September 7:	No class: Labor Day

### Unit 2

September 9:	Biblical economics and Aquinas
September 11:	Discussion section
	<b>First writing assignment due</b>
September 14:	Locke Reading 1
September 16:	Locke Reading 2
September 18:	Discussion section
September 21:	Hume Reading 1
September 23:	Hume Reading 2
September 25:	Discussion section
September 28:	Hume Reading 3
September 30:	Hume Reading 4
October 2:	Discussion section
October 5:	<b>First Midterm</b>
October 7:	Hume Reading 5
October 9:	Discussion section

### Unit 3

October 12:	Zwolinski Reading
October 14:	Zwolinski, continued
October 16:	Discussion section

### Unit 4

October 19:	Smith Reading 1
October 21:	Smith Reading 2
October 23:	Discussion section
	<b>Second writing assignment due</b>
October 26:	Smith Reading 3

October 28: Smith Reading 4  
October 30: Discussion section  
November 2: Smith Reading 5  
November 4: Marx Reading 1  
November 6: Discussion section  
November 9: **Second Midterm**  
November 11: No class: Veteran's Day  
November 13: Discussion section  
November 16: Marx Reading 2  
November 18: Marx Reading 3  
November 20: Discussion section  
November 23: Marx Reading 4  
November 25: Marx continued  
November 27: No class: Thanksgiving

#### Unit 5

November 30: Singer Reading  
December 2: Hardin Reading  
December 4: Discussion section  
December 7: Singer and Hardin continued  
December 9: Review

#### **Final Exam**

December 18<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 10am, PAS 201