100- & 200-Level
Introductions to Philosophy

100 (1) Intro to Phil: Survey of Problems  DH
MWF 9:30-10:20A  SAKAM B308  KLINE
Introduction to the kinds of problems that concern philosophers and to some of the solutions that have been attempted.

100 (2) Intro to Phil: Survey of Problems  DH
MWF 8:30-9:20A  SAKAM C102  FINE
Introduction to the kinds of problems that concern philosophers and to some of the solutions that have been attempted.

100 (3) Intro to Phil: Survey of Problems  DH
ONLINE  ONLINE  ONLINE  ONLINE  TANKE
Introduction to the kinds of problems that concern philosophers and to some of the solutions that have been attempted.

101 (1&2) Intro to Phil: Morals and Society  DH
MWF 9:30-10:20A  MSB 100  SMITH
Human beings live fragile lives fraught with serious strife and uncertainty. How should we respond to these challenges as individuals and as global citizens? How do we live morally in such precarity? What makes life meaningful and worth living? These are some of the questions that will be addressed by introducing students to the history of World Philosophy.

103 (1) Intro to Phil: Environmental Phil  DH
TR 9:00-10:15A  BUSAD C103  IRWIN
This course is an introduction to environmental philosophy done from a contemporary and cross-cultural perspective. Special attention will be paid to environmental and socio-economic factors related to pandemics, including climate change and land use. Other issues covered will include environmental ethics, animal rights, sustainability, conservation, ecology, wilderness, and concepts of nature.

110 (1) Intro to Deductive Logic  DH
MWF 9:30-10:20A  ART 101  DUFRESNE
Principles of modern deductive logic.

111 (1, 2, & 3) Intro to Inductive Logic  FQ
MWF 10:30-11:20A  KUY 301  ISHIDA
Textbook Cost $0
An introduction to basic concepts, methods, and problems of probability theory, statistics, and inductive reasoning in general.

130 (1, 2, 3, & 4) Intro to World Philosophy I FGA
MW 9:30-10:20A  HIG 110  PERKINS
F 9:30-10:20A  HOLM 247
F 10:30-11:20A  KUY305
F 8:30-9:20A  KUY 305
F 9:30-10:20A  KUY 406
This course introduces students to philosophy as it has manifested itself differently across cultures throughout the world. We will focus on the development of philosophical thought from its beginnings until 1500 CE. This course fills the requirements for Foundations - Global & Multicultural Perspectives (FG).

211 (1) Ancient Philosophy  DH
MWF 10:30-11:20A  SAKAM C201  FINE
An introduction to the history of philosophy based on translations of texts originally written in classical Greek or Latin.

213 (1) Modern Philosophy  DH, WI
TR 12:00-1:15P  KUY 408  WIDDISON
The period of philosophy historically considered as “modern” in Western philosophy roughly extends from 1600-1800. This course will mainly examine the divergent philosophical positions of Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz, Berkeley, Hume, and Kant, and their impact on Western culture and science.

218 (1) Women Philosophers  DH, WI
MW 10:30-11:45A  BUSAD D105  ROWE
Introduces students to the ideas of women philosophers.

Upper-Division
Undergraduate Courses

300 (1) Business Ethics  DH, ETH
MWF 9:30-10:20A  BUSAD D301  DASENBROCK
Business Ethics combines a survey of the major positions in and about ethics with a consideration of how ethical theories are applied in the world of business.

304 (1) Metaphysics  DH
TR 12:00-1:15P  KELL 414  CHENG
Problems arising from attempts to categorize rationally what is, and what appears to be. Among others, topics may include universals and particulars, personal identity, freedom and determinism, and time.

306 (1) Philosophy of Art  DH
TR 10:30-11:45A  SAKAM C203  ODIN
This course will explore fundamental problems, questions, and themes in the philosophy of art as developed in both the Western and Eastern traditions of aesthetics.

313 (1) Philosophy and Evolution  ETH, WI
MW 12:00-1:15P  KUY 407  SMITH
Darwin's discovery of Evolution by Natural Selection transformed human understanding of nature and of itself in profound ways. The purpose of this course is to explore the scientific facts of Evolution through a philosophical lens. We will ask what the meaning and value of human life might be when it is understood as a byproduct of millions of years of evolutionary development.
317 (1) Critical Thinking: Pre-Law EH, ETH, OC, WI
TR 12:00-1:15P SAKAM B103 SCHEOPNER
An introduction to legal reasoning in the three branches of the US government. Students will critically evaluate statutes, administrative rules, and judicial opinions.

319 (1) Ethical Issues in the Law
WF 1:30-2:45P KUY 208 MEYERS
This course will examine moral issues in the law.

320 (1) American Philosophy DH, WI
MW 1:30-2:45P SAKAM B104 LUKEY
Survey of major philosophers and schools in development of American thought up to modern times.

330 (1) Islamic Philosophy DH, OC, WI
TR 9:30-10:45A SAKAM C201 ALBERTINI
Introduction to Islamic Philosophy focusing on Epidemics and Civilizational Cycles as discussed in the revolutionary work of Ibn Khaldun (d. 808 A.H./1406 A.D.) who lived through the Black Death that affected Europe and his native North Africa.

387 (1) The Meaning of War DH, ETH, WI
TR 10:30-11:45A SAKAM A101 HALLETT
The course will focus, first, on recognizing and defining war in its principal variants. It will also evaluate and argue about the decision to go to war, on the one hand, and of the moral and practical means employed during the conduct of war, on the other hand, i.e., the traditional just-war criteria.

445 (1) Symbolic Logic DH
MWF 11:30-12:20P SAKAM B104 ISHIDA
A second course in propositional logic and first-order predicate logic.

449 (1) Undergraduate Capstone DH
T 12:45-3:15P SAKAM C201 TSAI
The theme of this year’s course is: "Emotions, Virtues, and Relationships."

492 (1) Philosophy with Children
MW 4:10-5:30P SAKAM A101 JACKSON
Examines the theory and practice of doing philosophy with children. The principles of practice apply to “children” in elementary, intermediate, high school, and undergraduate classrooms.

493 (1) Teaching Philosophy
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Supervised work in elementary, middle, and high school classrooms, facilitating philosophical inquiry with students. (Practicum)
Pre: 492 or consent.

Fourth year students may take graduate-level courses with instructor’s approval.

Graduate Seminars
611 (1) Studies in Ethics
R 12:45-3:15P SAKAM C302 TSAI
This course will examine recent work in ethics. Topics to be discussed may include: trust, hypocrisy, excuses, advice, love, standing in judgment, and contentment.

618 (1) Cultural Criticism
W 3:30-6:00P SAKAM C302 TANKE
This course introduces graduate students to the primary texts from philosophy which serve as a theoretical foundation for cultural studies and for the production of cultural criticism.

671 (1) Neo-Confucianism
R 3:30-6:00P SAKAM C302 CHENG
Logic, epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics of major Chinese Neo-Confucian philosophers, 11th–16th century.

720 (1) Seminar on Individual Philosophers (SPINOZA)

790 (1) Seminar in Comparative Philosophy
T 12:45-3:15P SAKAM C302 ODIN
This is a graduate seminar on Comparative Aesthetics that will include both Eastern and Western traditions of aesthetics and philosophy of art.

Full course descriptions are available on the table outside Sakamaki D-305.

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Course Offerings
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