

PALOMAR COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE OF RECORD FOR
DEGREE CREDIT COURSE

Transfer course A.A. degree applicable course

(check all that apply)

COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE: Philosophy 110
Oriental Philosophies

UNIT VALUE: 3

MINIMUM NUMBER OF SEMESTER HOURS: 48

BASIC SKILLS REQUIREMENTS:

Appropriate language skills

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

PREREQUISITE: None

COREQUISITE: None

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION: None

SCOPE OF COURSE:

A critical examination of the philosophies which originated in Asia, including consideration of the practices which are associated with these belief systems. Several theories of meditation will be discussed. Some comparisons will be made to western attitudes and beliefs.

SPECIFIC COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this course the students will be able to:

1. Critically reflect upon and articulate his or her ideas about reality.
2. Understand and explain the major schools and world views of Asian philosophies.
3. Compare and contrast Asian and Western thought.
4. Recognize and use the methods of philosophical analysis and reflection.

CONTENT IN TERMS OF SPECIFIC BODY OF KNOWLEDGE:

1. Hindu System
 - a. What is Philosophy?
 - b. Upanishads
 - c. Social Teachings
 - d. Samkhya vs. Advaita Vedanta
 - e. Current Trends and Mahatma Gandhi
2. Buddhist Systems
 - a. Four noble Truths
 - b. Yogacara and Madhyamika
 - c. The Self and Reality
 - d. Dependent Co-origination
 - e. Modern Developments
3. Zen
 - a. Meditation and Nagarjuna
 - b. Martial Arts, Tea Ceremony, etc.
4. Chinese Systems
 - a. Confucianism
 - b. Taoism
 - c. Neo-Confucianism
 - d. Mao Tse Tung

REQUIRED READING:

Recommended text:

Koller, John. Oriental Philosophies. 2nd. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1985.

SUGGESTED READING:

Radhakrishnan, Sarvepalli and Charles A. Moore, eds. A Sourcebook in Indian Philosophy. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1973.

Chan, Wing-Tsit, ed. A Sourcebook in Chinese Philosophy. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1963.

REQUIRED WRITING:

3-4 essay exams, 2-4 pages in length .

OUTSIDE ASSIGNMENTS:

Students are expected to spend a minimum of three hours per unit per week in class and on outside assignments, prorated for short term classes.

Reading of texts and handouts

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODOLOGY:

Check all that apply:

- lecture
 laboratory
 lecture-laboratory combination
 directed study

This course may be offered as a distance education course and meets Title 5 regulations 55370, 55372, 55374, 55376, 55378, and 55380.

Yes No

If yes, check all that apply. (See guidelines for preparation for definitions.)

- telecourse
 mediated instruction
 computer assisted instruction

GRADING POLICY AND STANDARDS (include methods of determining whether the stated objectives have been met by students):

There will be four essay exams, each of which will be worth 25 points. They will be evaluated upon the basis of knowledge of content as well as the use of philosophical techniques for the critical evaluation of ideas presented. Grade scale will be: 90%=A, 80%=B, 70%=C, 60%=D.

IS COURSE REPEATABLE FOR REASON(S) OTHER THAN DEFICIENT GRADE?

Yes No Number of times course may be taken for credit: 1

If yes, identify specific provision of Title 5 Division 2 section(s) 55761-55763 and 58161 which qualifies course as repeatable:

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