

## Philosophy (PHIL)

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### COURSE OFFERINGS

#### PHIL 100 Philosophical Theories Ethical and Political Values (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC; TCSU PHIL 120

An introduction to philosophical thinking through the study of ethical and political values using a combination problem and historical approach. Relations between philosophical problems and those of science, society, and ordinary life are stressed. Both classical and modern reading sources are used.

#### PHIL 101 Philosophical Theories - Knowledge and Reality (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

An introductory course to philosophical problems emphasizing methodology and the fundamental problems of knowledge and reality. Detailed consideration is to be given to the empirical method and to rationalism. Readings are taken from both classical and contemporary sources.

#### PHIL 102 Reasoning About Philosophical Issues (3)

3 hours lecture

**Recommended preparation:** Eligibility for ENG 100

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Introduction to the relationship of language to logic, with applications of analysis, criticism, inductive and deductive reasoning and kinds of evidence to philosophical problems.

#### PHIL 103 Philosophy of Human Nature (3)

3 hours lecture

**Recommended preparation:** College level reading and writing skills.

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

This is a survey course of theories of human nature and their presuppositions and implications. Presuppositions about human nature underlie religious, political, ethical, psychological, sociological, and scientific theories and contemporary debates in these fields. Students will read primary texts drawn from various disciplines, cultures, and/or historical periods with the goals of understanding the theories of human nature and learning how to critically evaluate them.

#### PHIL 105 Philosophy of Religion (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

A critical consideration of selected perennial and modern problems: definition and role of religion and religious experience, mysticism, grounds for religious beliefs, and religious ethics. Students will be urged to evaluate critically their views of religion and their own religious beliefs. Both Eastern and Western religions will be considered.

#### PHIL 110 Asian Philosophies (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

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.

#### PHIL 115 Critical Thinking (3)

3 hours lecture

**Prerequisite:** A minimum grade of 'C' in ENG 100

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Development of skills for critical thinking including open-mindedness, functions and wayward uses of language, informal fallacies, hypotheses and inductive reasoning, and elementary deductive inference forms. Basic communication skills, especially written, are developed and a critical perspective on world views is emphasized.

#### PHIL 120 Logic (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

An analysis of arguments and the cognitive functions of language through the use of modern symbolic techniques.

#### PHIL 130 Contemporary Philosophical Movements (3)

3 hours lecture

**Note:** May be taken 2 times

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

A critical examination of philosophical movements that has influenced 20th Century views of the individual, society and reality, such as Existentialism, Marxism, Pragmatism and Transcendentalism. The movement of thought will be approached as an attempt to deal reflectively with certain problems of living in the modern world. The philosophy studied will vary from semester to semester.

#### PHIL 135 Pre Renaissance Western Philosophy (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Major Western philosophical views from the early Greeks through the 14th Century. Original philosophical works of the periods will be studied and evaluated through critical thinking and writing.

#### PHIL 136 Renaissance and Modern Western Philosophy (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC

Major Western philosophical views from the Renaissance to the present. Original philosophical works of the periods will be studied and evaluated through critical thinking and writing.

#### PHIL 197 Philosophy Topics (.5-6)

Units awarded in topics courses are dependent upon the number of hours required of the student. Any combination of lecture, laboratory, or lecture/laboratory may be scheduled by the department. Refer to Class Schedule.

**Note:** May be taken 4 times

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU

Topics in Philosophy. See Class Schedule for specific topic covered. Course title will designate subject covered.

#### PHIL 250 Philosophy in Literature (3)

3 hours lecture

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC (Pending)

A study of philosophical concepts as they appear in the academic and nonacademic writings of philosophers, and in related writings by nonphilosophers. The writings are examined from the perspectives of both philosophical analysis and cultural context. The works and thinkers studied vary from semester to semester. See the class schedule for the current semester's theme.

#### PHIL 295 Directed Study in Philosophy (1,2,3)

1, 2, or 3 hours lecture

**Prerequisite:** Enrollment subject to project approval

**Note:** May be taken 4 times

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC – Credit determined by UC upon review of course syllabus.

An individualized or group project in philosophy of any nature approved by, and under the personal supervision of, the instructor.

## Photography (PHOT)

See also Journalism

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### Associate in Arts Degrees -

AA Degree requirements are listed in Section 6 (green pages).

- Digital Imaging
- Photography