DS Philosophy, Spring 2024

Instructors:

1. Volker Leppin, MW 1-2.15pm
2. Jake McNulty TTh 1-2:15pm
3. Glauco Schettini MW 2.30-3.45pm
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5. Dan Greco TTh 2.30-3.45pm
6. Paul Grimstad TTh 11.35am-12.50pm
7. Zoltan Szabó TTh 11:35-12:50

Texts:

1. René Descartes, Meditations on First Philosophy, edited by John Cottingham (Cambridge)
2. Women Philosophers of the Early Modern Period, edited by Margaret Atherton. (Hackett)
8. Immanuel Kant, Grounding for the Metaphysics of Morals, translated by James Ellington (Hackett)
12. Simone de Beauvoir, The Second Sex, translated by Borde and Chevalier-Malovany (Vintage)

Weekly Readings and Lectures:

Week 1 (Daniel Greco)  1/17
Descartes, Meditations 1-3

Week 2 (Zoltan Szabó)  1/24
Descartes, Meditations 4-6; Princess Elisabeth, selections from her correspondence with Descartes (to be distributed)

Week 3 (Michael?) 1/31
Spinoza, Ethics, Part I, and Part II up to and including the scholium to proposition 13.
Week 4 (Zoltan Szabó)  2/7
Berkeley, *A Treatise Concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge*

Week 5 (Paul Grimstad)  2/14
Hume, *Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding*, sections 1-5, 7-8, 12

Week 6 (Shelly Kagan)  2/21
Hume, *A Treatise of Human Nature*, Book I, Part 4 , section 6; Book II, Part 1, Section 1; Book II, Part 3, sections 3-4; Book III, Part 1
Hume, “Of the Standard of Taste” (to be distributed)

Week 7 (Jake McNulty)  2/28

Week 8 (Paul Franks)  3/6
Kant, *Critique of Pure Reason*, opening of the Transcendental Analytic, First and Second Analogies, Refutation of Idealism, Third Antinomy plus Resolution of the cosmological idea (pp. 204-14 [up to the end of section 10]; 246-8 [section 16 only]; 299-309 [stop at A 197, before “we have representations in us, . . .”]; 326-9 [begin at heading “Refutation of Idealism,” stop at end of “Note 3”]; 484-9; 532-7 [stop before “Clarification”]; and single paragraph on top of p. 546.

Spring Break   3/8-3/24

Week 9 (Stephen Darwall)  3/27
Kant, *Grounding for the Metaphysics of Morals*

Week 10 (Daniel Greco)  4/3
Mill, *Utilitarianism*

Week 11 (Glauco Schettini)  4/10
Kierkegaard, *Fear and Trembling*

Week 12 (Jake McNulty)  4/17
Hegel, *Phenomenology of Spirit*, Introduction (pp. 46-57), chapter 1, Sense-certainty (pp. 58-66), chapter 4, Lordship and Bondage (pp. 111-19)

Week 13 (Dembroff)  4/24
Simone de Beauvoir, “The Second Sex”, Introduction pp. 3-17, Myths, chapter 1, pp. 159-163, p. 277 and 279, 284-287 (up to eyes), Chapter 10, pp. 638-664

Papers worth 20% each
Exam worth 25%

Participation worth 15%