Directed Studies: Philosophy

Fall 2023

Philosophy Lectures: Wednesday 11:35-12:25 in HQ L02

Philosophy Sections:

1. John Hare: Monday, Wednesday 9am-10:15am.
2. David Charles: Monday, Wednesday 2:30pm-3:45pm.
3. Brad Inwood: Tuesday, Thursday 1pm-2:15pm.
4. Mark Maxwell: Tuesday, Thursday 1pm-2:15pm.
5. Malina Buturovic: Monday, Wednesday 2:30pm-3:45pm.
6. Paul Grimstad: Tuesday, Thursday 11:35am-12:50pm.
7. Emmanuel Alloa: Tuesday, Thursday 11:35am-12:50pm.
8. Mordechai Levy-Eichel: Monday, Wednesday 2:30pm-3:45pm.

**Texts**:

Plato, *Five Dialogues,*translated by G.M.A. Grube, revised by John Cooper (Hackett)

Jonathan Barnes, *Early Greek Philosophy*(Penguin)

Plato, *Republic*, (Cambridge Texts in the History of Political Thought), edited by G.R.F. Ferrari, translated by Tom Griffiths (Cambridge)

Aristotle,*A New Aristotle Reader* edited by John Ackrill (Princeton)

Epicurus, *The Epicurus Reader*, translated and edited by Brad Inwood and Lloyd P. Gerson (Hackett)

Lucretius, *On the Nature of Things*, translated by M.F. Smith (Hackett)

*The Stoics Reader: Selected Writings and Testimonia*, translated and edited by Brad Inwood and Lloyd P. Gerson (Hackett)

Seneca, *Moral and Political Essays,*edited by John M. Cooper and J. F. Procopé (Cambridge)

Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Scepticism*, translated by Julia Annas and Jonathan Barnes (Cambridge)

Augustine, *On Free Choice of the Will*, translated by Thomas Williams (Hackett)

*Classical Arabic Philosophy: An Anthology of Sources*, translated by Joe McGinnis and David C. Reisman (Hackett)

Anselm, *Proslogion, with the Replies of Gaunilo and Anselm*, translated by Thomas Williams (Hackett)

Aquinas, selections from *Summa Theologiae*(to be distributed)

**Requirements:**

* Attendance at all lectures, seminars and colloquia
* Active discussion group participation
* Three graded essays (due Sept. 29, Nov. 3 and Dec. 8).
* Final exam

**Grading:**

Discussion group participation 20%

Three essays 60%

Final exam 20%

**Schedule of Lectures and Readings**:

Lecture 1: Wednesday, August 30.  Plato: *Euthyphro, Apology, Meno*

**Lecturer**: Michael Della Rocca

**Reading**: Plato, *Euthyphro, Apology, Meno*

Lecture 2: Wednesday, September 6.  Plato: *Phaedo*

**Lecturer**: Brad Inwood

**Reading**: Plato, *Phaedo*

Lecture 3: Wednesday, September 13. Plato *Republic* (Bks 1-5), Presocratics

**Lecturer**: Malina Butorovic

**Reading**: Plato, *Republic*, books 1-5; selections from Parmenides and Anaxagoras (in Barnes, *Early Greek Philosophy*, pp. 77-91, 185-98)

Lecture 4: Wednesday, September 20. Plato: *Republic* (Bks. 6-10)

**Lecturer**: Emmanuel Alloa

**Reading**: Plato, *Republic* (Bks. 6-10)

Lecture 5: Wednesday, September 27, Aristotle: *Nicomachean Ethics*

**Lecturer**: David Charles

**Reading**, Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*, Books I, II; III: 1-5, 10-12; VI: 1-7, 12, 1 13; VII 1-3; VIII 1-6; IX, 4, 8, 9; X, 6-8.

Lecture 6: Wednesday October 4. Aristotle: Hylomorphism (*Categories, Physics, De Anima*)

**Lecturer**: David Charles

**Reading**: Aristotle, *Categories*, 1-5; *Physics* I.7-9, *Physics* II (complete); *De Anima* I.1-4, II.1-5, III.4-5; *Metaphysics* VII.7-9.

Lecture 7: Wednesday, October 11 Aristotle: *Metaphysics*

**Lecturer**: Verity Harte

**Reading**: Aristotle, *Metaphysics* I.1-2, XII.1-7. 9-10.

Lecture 8: Wednesday, October 25. Epicureanism

**Lecturer**: Paul Grimstad

**Reading**: Epicurus (pp. 28-36 in *The Epicurus Reader* for the *Letter to Menoeceus* and *Principal Doctrines*); Lucretius (*On the Nature of Things*, Books I and III, pp. 1-33, 66- 98)

Lecture 9: Wednesday, November 1. Stoicism

**Lecturer**: Brad Inwood

**Reading**: *The Stoics Reader*, texts 28-33 and texts 138-150 (pp. 58-85, pp. 195-205); Seneca, "On Anger," pp. 17-45, 110-16, and "On the Private Life," pp. 172-80, in Seneca, *Moral and Political Essays.*

Lecture 10: Monday November 8.  Sextus Empiricus

**Lecturer**: Mark Maxwell

**Reading**: Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Scepticism*, book 1

Lecture 11: Wednesday November 15.  Augustine

**Lecturer**: John Hare

**Reading**: Augustine, *On Free Choice of the Will*

Lecture 12: Wednesday, November 29.  Medieval Arabic Philosophy

**Lecturer**: Kevin van Bladel.

**Reading**: selections from *Classical Arabic Philosophy*:Kindi, "On the Intellect," pp. 16-18, Razi, "Doubts about Galen," Intro, pp. 49-53, Farabi, "On the Intellect," pp. 68-78, Ibn Sina, selections from "The Soul" in *The Cure*, pp. 175-192

Lecture 13: Wednesday, December 6.  Anselm and Aquinas

**Lecturer**: John Hare

**Reading**: Anselm, *Proslogion*, chapters 2-4; Gaunilo, *Reply on Behalf of the Fool;* Anselm's *Reply*; Aquinas, from *Summa Theologiae*, part 1: question 2, article 3 ("The Five Ways"); Q3, A7; Q4, A2; Q12, A12; Q13, A2 — A5.