Directed Studies: Philosophy
Spring 2018

Lectures: Monday, 11:35-12:25, Whitney Humanities Center Auditorium

Sections:
Daniel Greco MW 9-10:15
Zoltán Szabó TTh 11:35-12:50
Kenneth Winkler MW 2:30-3:45
Asaf Angermann MW 2:30-3:45
Francey Russell TTh 11:35-12:50
Andrew Werner TTh 11:35-12:50
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Texts (available at the World Language Center in the Yale Bookstore):
Descartes, Meditations on First Philosophy, edited by John Cottingham (Cambridge)
Princess Elisabeth, selections from her correspondence with Descartes (copies to be distributed)
Leibniz, Discourse on Metaphysics and Other Essays, translated by Daniel Garber and Roger Ariew (Hackett)
Anne Conway, Principles of the Most Ancient and Modern Philosophy, edited by Alison Coudert and Taylor Corse (Cambridge)
Berkeley, A Treatise concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge, edited by Kenneth P. Winkler
Kant, Critique of Pure Reason, translated by Paul Guyer and Allen Wood (Cambridge)
Kant, Grounding for the Metaphysics of Morals, translated by James Ellington (Hackett)
Hegel, Phenomenology of Spirit, translated by A.V. Miller (Oxford)
Frederick Douglass, "What to the Slave is the Fourth of July?" (to be distributed)
Mill, Utilitarianism, edited by George Sher (Hackett)
Kierkegaard, Fear and Trembling, translated by Sylvia Walsh (Cambridge)
Iris Murdoch, The Sovereignty of Good (Routledge)

Weekly Assignments and Lectures:

Week 1
Reading: Descartes, Meditations 1-3
Lecture, Friday, January 19, 11:35-12:25, Zoltán Szabó on Meditations 1-3

Week 2
Reading: Descartes, Meditations 4-6, Princess Elisabeth, selections from her correspondence with Descartes
Lecture, January 22: Francey Russell on Meditations 4-6

Week 3
Reading: Leibniz, "First Truths" (copies to be distributed), Discourse on Metaphysics and Other Essays; Conway, Principles, chapters 6, 8, and 9
Lecture, January 29: Zoltán Szabó on Leibniz and Conway
Week 4
Reading: Berkeley, *A Treatise concerning the Principles of Human Knowledge*
Lecture, February 5: Kenneth Winkler on Berkeley

Week 5
Reading: Hume, *Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding*, sections 1-5, 7-8, 12
Lecture, February 12: Daniel Greco on Hume, *Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding*

Week 6
Lecture, February 19: Shelly Kagan on Hume, *Treatise*

Week 7
Lecture, February 26: Andrew Werner on Kant, *Critique* (up through the Transcendental Aesthetic)

Week 8
Reading: 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.
Lecture, March 5: Asaf Angermann on Kant, *Critique* (Transcendental Analytic and beyond)

Week 9
Reading: Kant, *Grounding for the Metaphysics of Morals*
Lecture, March 26: Francey Russell on Kant, *Grounding*

Week 10
Reading: Hegel, *Phenomenology* Introduction (pp. 46-57), chapter 1, Sense-certainty (pp. 58-66), chapter 4, Lordship and Bondage (pp. 111-19); Douglass
Lecture, April 2: Paul Franks on Hegel and Douglass

Week 11
Reading: Mill, *Utilitarianism*
Lecture, April 9: Daniel Greco on Mill

Week 12
Reading: Kierkegaard, *Fear and Trembling*
Lecture, April 16: Asaf Angermann on Kierkegaard

Week 13
Reading: Iris Murdoch, *The Sovereignty of Good*
Lecture, April 23: Kenneth Winkler on Murdoch