

Introduction to Symbolic Logic [Philosophy 2001]: Summer, 2012

Course Outline

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Duration: 6 weeks

Classroom: C264 Loeb

Office Hours: By appointment. The instructor is willing to meet with students at any time convenient to them.

Course summary: the student first learns how to translate reasoning in ordinary language into a symbolic notation, and then to test the symbolic representation for logical correctness. This requires a fluency in English and as well as an ability to deal with abstract symbols and do logical deductions.

Format: For each class, the instructor will discuss an assigned section of the text. Emphasis will be put on doing exercises to test the student's comprehension of the material covered. Questions from previous exams will be taken up to give the student an idea of what to expect on the exams.

Exams: Two exams, each worth 50% of the grade, each 3 hours in length. Exam 1 will cover chapters 1 through 6 of the text. It will be held during the class period, in the second class of the third week. Exam 2 will cover chapters 7 through 11 of the text. It will be held during the examination period after classes end.

Missed Exams: Students who miss an exam will be permitted to do a makeup exam provided a medical certificate is received by the instructor.

Text: Julian Wolfe, Validity Tests: A Complete Guide. On sale at the Carleton University bookstore.

Important: Students are strongly advised to attend classes, as doing so will help reinforce their understanding of the text or correct misunderstandings. In addition, since the material is compressed into a 6 week period, students must be able to devote many hours of study per week to ensure comprehension.

Department of Philosophy and Carleton University Policies

Assignments:

Unless specifically told otherwise by their instructors, students:

- must not use a plastic or cardboard cover or paper clips
- must staple the paper (there is a stapler on the essay box)
- must include the following in the lower right corner of the cover sheet:
 - student name
 - student number
 - course number and section
 - instructor's name
- The Philosophy Department does not accept assignments by FAX. You may send them by courier, if necessary.
- No assignments will be accepted after the last day for handing in term work – see dates in next column.
- Assignments handed in through the essay box (just inside the glass doors, Paterson Hall, Floor 3A) must be dropped into the box by **4:15** on a regular business day in order to be date-stamped with that day's date. Assignments handed in after 4:15 or on a non-business day will be stamped as having been handed in on the next business day.
- Students are required to keep copies of their assignments. If your paper is lost at any point, you will be considered not to have submitted it if you cannot produce a copy immediately on request.

Deferrals for Term Work:

If you miss a final examination and/or fail to submit a final assignment by the due date because of circumstances beyond your control, you may apply for a deferral of examination/assignment. For deferred examinations, you must apply within 5 working days after the scheduled date of your exam. To apply for deferral of a final assignment, you must apply within 5 working days of the last scheduled day of classes. Visit the Registrar's Office for more information.

Plagiarism:

It is the responsibility of each student to understand the meaning of 'plagiarism' as defined in the Undergraduate or Graduate Calendars, and to avoid both committing plagiarism and aiding or abetting plagiarism by other students. (Undergraduate Calendar Academic Regulations, section 14.3, or <http://www4.carleton.ca/calendars//ugrad/current/regulations/acadregsuniv14.html#14.3>)

Academic Accommodation:

You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term. For an accommodation request the processes are as follows:

Pregnancy obligation: write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. For more details visit the Equity Services website <http://www2.carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/>

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Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Documented disabilities could include but are not limited to mobility/physical impairments, specific Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/psychological disabilities, sensory disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and chronic medical conditions. Registered PMC students are required to contact the PMC, 613-520-6608, every term to ensure that I receive your Letter of Accommodation, no later than two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first in-class test/midterm requiring accommodations. If you

only require accommodations for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodations to PMC by the deadlines published on the PMC website: <http://www2.carleton.ca/pmc/new-and-current-students/dates-and-deadlines/>

Important Dates:

May 7	Early and full summer classes begin.
May 14	Last day for registration and course changes for early summer courses.
May 18	Last day for registration and course changes for full summer courses.
May 21	Statutory holiday – university closed.
May 31	Last day to withdraw from early summer courses with full fee adjustment.
June 8	Last day to withdraw from full summer courses with a full fee adjustment. Last day to submit to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities, formal Examination Accommodation Forms for June examinations.
June 11-21	Fall/winter and winter term deferred final examinations will be held.
June 12	Last day for tests or examinations in courses below the 4000-level before the final examination period.
June 19	Last day of early summer classes for non-Engineering students. Last day for academic withdrawal from early summer courses. Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.
June 22-27	Early summer examinations will be held.
June 30	Final deadline for summer term fee payment.
July 2	Statutory holiday – university closed.
July 3	Late summer classes begin. Full summer classes resume.
July 10	Last day for registration and course changes for late summer courses.
July 20	Last day for withdrawal from late summer courses with full fee adjustment.
July 27	Last day to submit to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities, formal Examination Accommodation Forms for August examinations.
August 6	Statutory holiday – university closed.
August 8	Last day for tests or examinations in courses below the 4000-level before the final examination period.
August 15	Last day for late summer and full summer classes. Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline. Last day for academic withdrawal from late summer and full summer courses and any other courses that end this term.
August 18-23	Summer examinations will be held.
Sept. 28-29	Summer term deferred final examinations will be held.
Sept. 30	Last day for receipt of applications for review of final grades for summer term courses.

Addresses:

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Paul Menton Centre:	500 University Centre www.carleton.ca/pmc 520-6608
Writing Tutorial Service:	4 th Floor, Library www.carleton.ca/wts 520-6632
MacOdrum Library	http://www.library.carleton.ca/ 520-2735