

**COURSE OUTLINE: PHIL 3003  
18<sup>th</sup> CENTURY PHILOSOPHY**

**Fall 2019: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:05 AM – 11:25 PM, Location TBA**

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**Course description:**

European philosophy of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Representative works of writers such as Berkeley, Hume, and Kant.

Prerequisite: 0.5 credit in philosophy and second-year standing in a philosophy program, or permission of the department.

**Topics for Fall 2019:**

The early modern period is known for many things, but especially for the “New Science,” also sometimes called the “Scientific Revolution,” associated with such figures as Galileo, Boyle, and Newton. The New Science had a tremendous influence on the philosophers of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. New and emerging scientific methodologies and frameworks were accompanied by new and emerging philosophical views about the ways in which we have access to or come to know about the natural world around us. The philosophers that we will be looking at in this course are interested in our capacity to understand the world and our place in it; they are working out theories of perception, knowledge, and reality, especially in light of mechanism and Newtonian science. In this course, among other things, we will look at Locke’s theory of ideas and his philosophy of language, at Berkeley’s arguments against materialism and his view that the only things that exist are minds and ideas, and at Hume’s “Newtonian” theory of perception and his concerns about the rational grounding of our causal inferences.

Note: you will find a detailed schedule of readings on cuLearn. The schedule of readings may be updated throughout the semester; you are responsible for keeping up with the updated schedule.

**Required text (available at the Carleton bookstore):**

1. *Modern Philosophy: An Anthology of Primary Sources* (Third Edition\*). Eds. Roger Ariew and Eric Watkins. Hackett 2019.

\*The third edition of this anthology just came out (in May 2019). Because of this, it is my understanding that the Carleton bookstore will have copies of the second AND third editions of the anthology. For this course, **you are welcome to use EITHER the second OR the third edition.**

Note: Many of the primary sources in this anthology can be found online. However, some online sources are abridged or otherwise altered. If you wish to consult an online source, you **must** discuss this with me, so I can help you evaluate whether or not the source is appropriate.

Some of you may wish to purchase primary sources individually (rather than in an anthology). If you wish to do this, please let me know. I will be happy to recommend specific (unabridged) editions of the texts.

Course material may sometimes include some readings that are not in the required text (especially true for those of you who purchase the second edition of the anthology). Those readings will either be available on cuLearn or through the Carleton library website.

### **cuLearn:**

This course will be supported by the cuLearn Course Management System. A variety of resources may be made available through the cuLearn site, including some readings for the course. You can access your cuLearn account by going to [www.carleton.ca/culearn](http://www.carleton.ca/culearn) and entering your MyCarletonOne username and password.

Students will be fully responsible for reading and responding appropriately to all information distributed to students through the cuLearn Course Page. Information provided on cuLearn will be considered to have been provided to all registered students within 24 hours of posting.

### **Evaluation:**

Note: the test dates mentioned below are **subject to revision**. You are responsible for checking cuLearn to make sure that you have the correct dates. I will also mention the dates in class, especially as they approach.

#### **1. Tests (2 \* 25%)**

There will be two in-class tests, each worth **25%** of your final grade, for a total of **50%**. Tests will be closed-book, but you will be permitted to bring a one-page, double-sided “cheat sheet” to each, on which you may write or type whatever you like, using whatever sized fonts / margins you like. (Note however that you will not be permitted to use any visual aids such as magnifying glasses during the test.)

#### *Test dates (tentative)*

The first test will take place in class on **Tuesday, Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**

The second test will take place in class on **Thursday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**

#### **2. Take-home exam (1 \* 50%)**

There will be one take-home examination. The exam will be essay-based and will count towards **50%** of your final grade.

#### *Take-home due date (firm)*

The take-home exam is due at the end of final exam period (**Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019.**) This date is firm, not tentative; it is set by the university, and not by me, and so I have no ability to change it. As such, I will not be accepting late exams, and no extensions will be granted.

## **Department of Philosophy and Carleton University Policies (Fall/Winter 2019-20)**

### **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 on the first page: student name and number; course name and number; instructor's name.
- No assignments will be accepted after the last day for handing in term work – see dates below.
- 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.

### **Evaluation:**

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean. This means that grades submitted by the instructor may be subject to revision. No grades are final until they have been approved by the Dean.

### **Deferrals for Final Exams:**

If you miss a final examination (formally scheduled or take-home) because of circumstances beyond your control, you may apply for a deferral. You must apply within 3 working days after the scheduled date of your formally scheduled exam or within 3 working days after the due date of a take-home exam. Visit the Registrar's Office for more information: <http://calendar.carleton.ca/undergrad/regulations/academicregulationsoftheuniversity/acadregsuniv2/#2.5>

### **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. <https://carleton.ca/registrar/academic-integrity/>

### **Academic Accommodation:**

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

If you have a documented disability requiring academic accommodations in this course, please contact the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) at 613-520-6608 or [pmc@carleton.ca](mailto:pmc@carleton.ca) for a formal evaluation or contact your PMC coordinator to send your instructor your Letter of Accommodation at the beginning of the term. You must also contact the PMC no later than two weeks before the first in-class scheduled test or exam requiring accommodation (if applicable). After requesting accommodation from PMC, meet with your instructor as soon as possible to ensure accommodation arrangements are made. [carleton.ca/pmc](http://carleton.ca/pmc)

**Pregnancy obligation:** write to your professor 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/>

**Religious obligation:** write to your professor 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/>

**Survivors of Sexual Violence:** as a community, Carleton University is committed to maintaining a positive learning, working and living environment where sexual violence will not be tolerated, and its survivors are supported through academic accommodations as per Carleton's Sexual Violence Policy. For more information about the services available at the university and to obtain information about sexual violence and/or support, visit: [carleton.ca/sexual-violence-support](http://carleton.ca/sexual-violence-support)

**Accommodation for Student Activities:** Carleton University recognizes the substantial benefits, both to the individual student and for the university, that result from a student participating in activities beyond the classroom experience. Reasonable accommodation must be provided to students who compete or perform at the national or international level. Please contact your instructor 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. <https://carleton.ca/senate/wp-content/uploads/Accommodation-for-Student-Activities-1.pdf>

For more information on academic accommodation, please contact the departmental administrator or visit: [students.carleton.ca/course-outline](https://students.carleton.ca/course-outline)

### **Important Dates:**

Sept. 4	Classes start.
Sept. 17	Last day for registration and course changes for fall term and fall/winter (two-term) courses.
Sept. 30	Last day for entire fee adjustment when withdrawing from fall term or two-term courses. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.
Oct. 14	Statutory holiday. University closed.
Oct. 21-25	Fall Break – no classes.
Nov. 22	Last day for summative tests or examinations, or formative tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade, before the official examination period.
Dec. 6	Last day of fall term classes. <b>Classes follow a Monday schedule.</b> Last day for academic withdrawal from fall term courses. Last day for handing in term work and the last day that can be specified by a course instructor as a due date for term work for a fall term course.
Dec. 9-21	Final examinations for fall term courses and mid-term examinations in two-term courses. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
Dec. 21	All take-home examinations are due.
Jan. 6	Classes begin.
Jan. 17	Last day for registration and course changes in the winter term.
Jan. 31	Last day for a full fee adjustment when withdrawing from winter term courses or from the winter portion of two-term courses. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.
Feb. 17	Statutory holiday. University closed.
Feb. 17-21	Winter Break – no classes.
Mar. 24	Last day for summative tests or examinations, or formative tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade, in winter term or fall/winter courses before the official examination period.
Apr. 7	Last day of two-term and winter term classes. Last day for academic withdrawal from fall/winter and winter courses. Last day for handing in term work and the last day that can be specified by a course instructor as a due date for two-term and for winter term courses.
Apr. 10	Statutory holiday. University closed.
Apr. 13-25	Final examinations for winter term and two-term courses. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
Apr. 25	All take-home examinations are due on this day.

### **Addresses:**

Department of Philosophy:	3A35 Paterson Hall <a href="http://www.carleton.ca/philosophy">www.carleton.ca/philosophy</a> 520-2110
Registrar's Office:	300 Tory <a href="http://www.carleton.ca/registrar">www.carleton.ca/registrar</a> 520-3500
Academic Advising Centre:	302 Tory <a href="http://www.carleton.ca/academicadvising">www.carleton.ca/academicadvising</a> 520-7850
Writing Services:	4 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Library <a href="http://www.carleton.ca/csas/writing-services/">http://www.carleton.ca/csas/writing-services/</a> 520-3822
MacOdrum Library	<a href="http://www.library.carleton.ca/">http://www.library.carleton.ca/</a> 520-2735