



**PHI3010/PHI3011**  
**Synoptic Study-Unit 1 and 2: Philosophy**  
Academic Year 2018-2019: Semester 2

Schedule

Date/Time	Topic	Lecturer	Readings*
Mon 11 Feb 1:00-2:00pm	Introduction	JPDL	-
Mon 18 Feb 1:00-3:00pm	Philosophy of Language	JA	Locke 'Abstract General Ideas' (pp.157-161) Berkeley 'Particular Ideas and General meaning' (pp. 161-165) Russell 'Definite and Indefinite Descriptions' (pp. 174-180) Kripke 'How the Reference of Terms is Fixed' (pp. 191-197)
Mon 4 Mar 1:00-3:00pm	Philosophy of Science	JF	Hume, 'The Relation between Cause and Effect' (pp.438-443) Kant 'Causality and our experience of events' (pp. 443-447) Popper, 'Science and Falsifiability' (pp. 453-460) Kuhn, 'Change and Crisis in Science' (pp.475-481)
Mon 18 Mar 1:00-3:00pm	Metaphysics	MS	Aristotle, 'Individual Substance' (pp. 76-80) Descartes, 'Supreme Being and Created Things' (pp. 80-86) Carnap, 'The End of Metaphysics' (pp.121-127) Quine, 'The Problem of Ontology' (pp.127-132)
Mon 8 Apr 1:00-3:00pm	Philosophy of Mind	MZ	Plato, 'The Immortal Soul' (pp.203-210) Aristotle, 'Soul and Body, Form and Matter' (pp. 210-214) John Stuart Mill, 'The Problem of Other Minds' (pp. 240-244) Ryle, 'The Myth of the 'Ghost in the Machine' (pp. 251-256)
Mon 29 Apr 1:00-3:00pm	Ethics	JB	Plato, 'Morality and Happiness' (pp.487-492) Aristotle, 'Ethical Virtue' (pp.492-496) MacIntyre, 'Ethics as Rooted in History and Culture' (pp.540-546) Williams, 'Could Ethics be Objective?' (pp. 546-551)
Mon 6 May 1:00-3:00pm	Political Philosophy	JPDL	Hobbes, 'Sovereignty and Security' (pp. 631-636) Rousseau, 'Society and the Individual' (pp.647-653) Nozick, 'The Minimal State' (671-677) Dworkin, 'Liberalism, Resources and Equal Worth' (pp.683-690)

\* Textbook: J. Cottingham, ed. (2007) *Western Philosophy: An Anthology*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Oxford: Wiley-Blackwell. Selected readings will be available at PaperClips for photocopying.

N.B. Venues to be confirmed in due course.



Instructions for students:

- Attendance is compulsory.
- You are required to read the assigned material before each session and to prepare in advance a summary of 200-250 words on each of the four short readings assigned for that session.
- All four summaries are to be handed to the lecturer during the respective session.

Examination (June Session):

- Synoptic Paper 1: Metaphysics, Ethics and Political Philosophy
- Synoptic Paper 2: Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Language, Philosophy of Science