

Room: Warren Lecture Hall 2115

Times: T & Th 9:30-10:50

Term: Fall Quarter 2011

Office Hours: Tues 11:00-12:00 & by appointment

Course webpage:

<http://philosophyfaculty.ucsd.edu/faculty/ewatkins/Phil106F11/Phil106F11.html>

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Phil 106: Kant

This course aims to investigate the philosophy of Immanuel Kant by reading through his *Prolegomena* and many of the most significant sections of his greatest work, the *Critique of Pure Reason*.

I. Reading Assignments (subject to adjustment)

Th 9-22 Introduction

T 9-27 *Prolegomena*, Preface, First Part

Th 9-29 *Prolegomena*, Second & Third Parts

[T 10-4](#) *Prolegomena*, Solution, Appendix
Critique of Pure Reason, A and B Prefaces (99-124)

[Th 10-6](#) A and B Introductions (127-152)

[T 10-11](#) Tr. Aesthetic (172-192)

[Th 10-13](#) Intro to Tr. Logic, Met. Deduction, & sections 13-14 (193-226)

[T 10-18](#) Transcendental Deduction (245-266)

Th 10-20 Transcendental Deduction-cont.

T 10-25 Schematism (267-283)

[Th 10-27](#) General Principle of Analogies & First Analogy (295-304)

[Paper Topic #1](#)

T 11-1 Second Analogy (304-316)

First Paper due

Th 11-3 Third Analogy (316-321)

[T 11-8](#) Refutation of Idealism (326-329)

[Th 11-10](#) First Antinomy (459-475, 496-528)

[Paper Topic #2](#)

T 11-15 Second Antinomy (476-483, 528-532)

Th 11-17 Third Antinomy (484-489, 532-546)

Second Paper due

T 11-22 Third Antinomy-cont.
Th 11-24 Thanksgiving- **No Class**
T 11-29 The Canon of Pure Reason (672-690)
Th 12-1 Conclusion

Th 12-8 **Take-home Final Exam** (due at 11:00am)

II. Texts:

Kant, Immanuel *Critique of Pure Reason*, edited and translated by P. Guyer & A. Wood, New York: Cambridge University Press, 1998.

Kant, Immanuel *Prolegomena*, edited and translated by G. Hatfield, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2004.

Both texts should be available in the UCSD Bookstore.

III. Requirements:

1. Short Homework Assignments (totaling 20%)

Short homework assignments are posted on the course web-page and are to be filled out in advance and turned in at the beginning of class. Late assignments will *not* be accepted. If you are unable to attend class, you may send the homework assignment via e-mail (in advance), but *no more than once* during the quarter.

2. Either

A. Two Papers (4-5 pages) (15% each)

The papers are primarily expository in nature. They should identify the main claim(s) of the reading assignment and lay out clearly the structure and main premises of the argument(s) Kant develops for the claim(s). Late papers will *not* be accepted.

or

B. Term Paper (12-15 pages) (30%)

The term paper should be 15 pages in length. It should involve both primary and secondary literature. Term paper topics will not be assigned; instead, by the end of the 8th week (Thursday, November 17) one must submit for my approval a 2-3 page description of the topic and what literature (both primary and secondary) will be discussed. I am more than happy to talk to you about what secondary literature might be best for any topic you might be interested in.

3. Final Exam (30%)

The Final Exam will be comprehensive and consist of a combination of short answer and longer essay questions. It will be a take-home exam, due on the day indicated above, and must be submitted to me via e-mail as an attachment (in Microsoft Word, rtf, or pdf format).

4. Class Participation (20%)

Class Participation: This is not a large lecture course and the material is difficult, so class discussion is both possible and necessary. Class participation will be part of the final grade. One way to participate in class is to submit detailed reactions to and/or thoughtful questions about the reading (roughly 300 words) in advance of the relevant class (via e-mail).

IV. Miscellaneous:

The academic honor code will be strictly enforced in this class. Cheating will not be tolerated. Anyone caught cheating will receive an F for the course and will be subject to further disciplinary action.

If accommodations are needed for a disability or for religious reasons, please contact me as soon as possible.

The policies stated above are subject to change, at the instructor's discretion.