PHIL 33 -- Philosophy between Reason and Despair  
Spring 2013

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Lecture

Time:     Tues, Thurs 12:30pm–1:50pm  
Location:  Peterson Hall (PETER) 103 [map]

NOTE: despite what is posted on the Registrar's course listings, there will *NOT*  
be required sections for this course.

Required textbooks

{available at UCSD Bookstore (in the Price Center)}

Immanuel Kant, *Groundwork of the Metaphysic of Morals*  
Paton, trans; Harper Perennial

Soren Kierkegaard, *Fear and Trembling*  
Hanney, trans; Penguin Classics

Friedrich Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morals*  
Smith, trans; Oxford World's Classics

William James, *Pragmatism and other writings*  
Gunn, ed; Penguin Classics

Course description

This course will serve as an introduction to nineteenth-century philosophy, with a  
focus on the emerging skepticism about the authority of reason to answer  
questions about the ultimate meaning and value of human life.

Readings will include texts from Immanuel Kant, Soren Kierkegaard, Friedrich  
Nietzsche, and William James.

Course requirements

{tentative}  
* weekly reading questionnaires  
* mid-term exam  
* final exam
* attendance
* participation

Schedule of readings

{tentative; full syllabus to posted on TED}
weeks 1-3: Kant
weeks 3-5: Kierkegaard
weeks 6-8: Nietzsche
weeks 9-10: James

Reference links

Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy entries (requires sign-in)

   Immanuel Kant
   Soren Kierkegaard
   Friedrich Nietzsche
   William James

Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy entries

   The Age of Enlightenment
   Immanuel Kant
   Soren Kierkegaard
   Friedrich Nietzsche
   William James

Course URL

http://philosophy.ucsd.edu/faculty/colley/courses/s13/phil33/index.html

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