



FACULTY OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SCHOOL OF HISTORY, PHILOSOPHY, POLITICAL SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME PHIL 422: Philosophical Logic 15 POINTS

TRIMESTER 2 2014

Important dates

Trimester dates: 14 July to 16 November 2014

Teaching dates: 14 July to 17 October 2014

Mid-trimester break: 25 August to 7 September 2014

Last assessment item due: 17 October 2014

Withdrawal dates: Refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/withdrawals-refunds. If you cannot complete an assignment or sit a test or examination, refer to www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats.

Class times and locations

Lectures: Tuesday 10.00 - 11:50 am
Venue: Murphy (MY)617

Names and contact details

Course Coordinator: Edwin Mares
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Communication of additional information

This course uses Blackboard and presumes that all enrolled students have valid myvuw.ac.nz addresses. Please check that this account is active and you have organised email forwarding. Additional information and any changes to the timetable or lecture and seminar programme will be advised by email, announced in lectures, and posted on the course Blackboard site.

Prescription

This course will be an in-depth discussion of one or more problems in contemporary philosophical logic. Topics will change from year to year, but they may include vagueness, theories of truth, modal logic applied to problems in philosophy, or the philosophy of mathematics.

Course content

This year's course content will be determined by the interests of the students involved. These interests will be determined in the first few weeks of lectures. Introductory readings will be placed on Blackboard before the beginning of lectures and additional readings will be added after that to reflect the topics we have determined to discuss. For this reason, no lecture programme will be put on Blackboard until the third week of lectures.

Course learning objectives (CLOs)

Students who pass this course will be able to:

1. Read and understand a wide range of material in philosophy of logic and the philosophy of mathematics;
2. Produce original arguments about these topics that either attack or defend some controversial position;
3. Construct their own theories in the philosophy of logic or philosophy of mathematics.

Teaching format

PHIL 422 is taught in one 110-minute lecture per week. A Lecture Programme will be added to the Blackboard site in the third week of lectures.

Mandatory course requirements

To pass this course, students must achieve an overall pass mark of 50%.

Workload

This course has been designed on the assumption that students will devote approximately 150 hours to it throughout the trimester. This is an average of 10.7142 hours per week across the 14 weeks of trimester. This includes attendance at 12 lectures. The remainder of your time will need to be shared doing active reading and writing essays.

Assessment

Assessment items and workload per item	%	CLO(s)	Due date
1 Essay 1 (approximately 1500 words)	30%	1, 2, 3	22 August 2014
2 Essay 2 (approximately 3000-3500 words)	60%	1,2,3	17 October 2014
3 Participation in discussion – measured by quantity and evidence that the assigned material has been read	10%	1,2,3	

Submission and return of work

Essays should be submitted electronically through Blackboard. Marks and comments will be returned electronically on Blackboard.

Extensions and penalties

Extensions

Extensions can be granted only with the prior approval of the course coordinator, and only in exceptional circumstances. Having lots of other assignments due around the same time is no excuse; plan ahead. If granted an extension, students must agree to a new due date. Contact the course coordinator as soon as a problem emerges. There will be no make-up test for the in-class test.

Penalties

Philosophy Programme policy stipulates that late submission of essays is penalised. Late essays submitted without extensions having been obtained will receive a penalty of 5 points per day (or part thereof) late. No essay will be accepted after 12 November 2014.

Set texts

All required readings will be placed on Blackboard. All additional readings will be suggested after students choose the area of their essays.

Class representative

The class representative provides a useful way to communicate feedback to the teaching staff during the course. A class representative will be selected at the first lecture of the course. Students may like to write the Class Rep's name and details in this box:

Class Rep name and contact details:

Student feedback

Enhancements made to this course, based on the feedback of previous students, will be covered during the course.

Student feedback on University courses may be found at www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/feedback/feedback_display.php.

Other important information

The information above is specific to this course. There is other important information that students must familiarise themselves with, including:

- Academic Integrity and Plagiarism: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/integrity-plagiarism
- Aegrotats: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/exams/aegrotats
- Academic Progress: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/academic-progress (including restrictions and non-engagement)
- Dates and deadlines: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/dates
- FHSS Student and Academic Services Office: www.victoria.ac.nz/fhss/student-admin
- Grades: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/study/progress/grades
- Resolving academic issues: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Special passes: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/dvc-academic/publications
- Statutes and policies including the Student Conduct Statute: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/strategy
- Student support: www.victoria.ac.nz/students/support
- Students with disabilities: www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/disability

- Student Charter: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/student-charter
- Student Contract: www.victoria.ac.nz/study/apply-enrol/terms-conditions/student-contract
- Subject Librarians: <http://library.victoria.ac.nz/library-v2/find-your-subject-librarian>
- Turnitin: www.cad.vuw.ac.nz/wiki/index.php/Turnitin
- University structure: www.victoria.ac.nz/about/governance/structure
- Victoria graduate profile: www.victoria.ac.nz/learning-teaching/learning-partnerships/graduate-profile
- VUWSA: www.vuwsa.org.nz