

College of Arts – Online Course Outline

Course Code:	Section:	Semester:
PHIL *2370	01	W16
Course Title:		
Introduction to Metaphysics		
Instructor:		
Ken Dorter		
Brief course Synopsis:		
<p>An exploration of major works in five main areas of metaphysics: Aristotle's <i>Metaphysics</i> (the ontology of substance), Plotinus' <i>Enneads</i> (emanationism), Spinoza's <i>Ethics</i> (monism), Hegel's <i>Introduction to the Philosophy of History</i> (dialectical idealism), and Heidegger's <i>Introduction to Metaphysics</i> (phenomenological metaphysics).</p>		
Textbook(s):		
<i>The Philosophy of Aristotle</i> (ed. Bambrough) Signet ISBN 978-0-451-53175-9		
<i>The Essential Plotinus</i> (trans. O'Brien) Hackett ISBN 0915144093		
Spinoza, <i>Ethics</i> (trans. Curley) Penguin ISBN 9780140435719		
Hegel, <i>Introduction to the Philosophy of History</i> , (trans. Rauch) Hackett ISBN 0872200566		
Heidegger, <i>Introduction to Metaphysics</i> 2 nd edition, Yale ISBN 9780300186123		
Course Requirements/Evaluation: One 2500 word essay (50%) or two 1250 word essays (25% each), and a final exam (50%).		