

PHIL*4410-01

SOCIAL & POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY [0.50]

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Brief course synopsis:

The importance of Spinoza's *Ethics* lies not only in its distinctive and powerful interpretation of reality, but also in its insistence that our understanding of ethics is inseparable from our understanding of reality as a whole.

The course will be primarily structured around seminar presentations (the number of seminars will depend on enrolment).

There will be no final exam for students who attend regularly.

Required text:

Spinoza's Ethics, translated by Samuel Shirley (Hackett 0-87220-130-9; 978-0-87220-130-9).

Evaluation: TBA