*Notes: Every assignment is always due at* ***11:59pm*** *on the specified date. For the specific due dates of assignments, see Canvas.*

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| **WEEK** | **DATE** | **TOPIC(S) OF THE WEEK** | **READING(S) FOR THE WEEK** | **ASSIGNMENT(S) DUE THIS WEEK** |
| 1 | 1.25 | Introduction |  | 1. Who is You?
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| 2 | 2.1 | Elements of Argument | Cahn, *The Elements of Argument* (45 – 53)Barker, *Improving Your Thinking* (53 – 58)Cahn, *Necessary and Sufficient Conditions* (58 – 60) | 1. Reading Quiz #1
2. The Better Argument?
3. Lecture Quiz #1
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|  |  | PART I: EPISTEMOLOGY |  |  |
| 3 |  | What is Knowledge? | Ayer, *What is Knowledge?* (72 – 74)Gettier, *Is Justified True Belief Knowledge?* (74 – 75) | 1. How Do You Know?
2. Reading Quiz #2
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| 4 | 2.8 | Rationalism & Empiricism | Descartes, *Meditations on First Philosophy* (94 – 97)Locke, *An Essay Concerning Human Understanding* (98 – 105) | 1. Reading Quiz #3
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| 5 | 2.15 | Caring & Epistemic Injustice | Zagzebski, *Caring and Epistemic Demands* (69 – 72)Fricker, *Testimonial Injustice* (See PDF on Canvas) | 1. Reading Quiz #4
2. Critical Discussion #1 Pt 1
3. Critical Discussion #1 Pt 2
4. Lecture Quiz #2
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|  | 2.22 | PART II: GOD & RELIGION |  |  |
| 6 | 3.1 | Does God Exist? | Nagel, *Does God Exist?* (253 – 259)Scriven, Faith and Reason (277 – 281) | 1. God or Myth?
2. Reading Quiz #5
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| 7 | 3.8 | The Problem of Evil & Faith | Swinburne, *Why God Allows Evil* (260 – 270)Adams, *The Problem of Hell* (275 – 277)James, *The Will to Believe* (316 – 328) | 1. Reading Quiz #6
2. Critical Discussion #2 Pt 1
3. Critical Discussion #2 Pt 2
4. Lecture Quiz #3
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|  |  | PART III: METAPHYSICS |  |  |
| 8 | 3.15 | Mind & Body Problem | Ryle, *The Ghost in the Machine* (133 – 137)Taylor, *Body and Soul* (137 – 140) | 1. What The Hell Are You?
2. Reading Quiz #7
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| 9 | 3.22 | Spring Recess (Campus Closed) | No Readings | No Assignments |
| 10 | 3.29 | Mind & Body Problem | Nagel, *What Is It Like to Be a Bat?* (153 – 156)Churchland, *The Mind-Body Problem* (140 – 152) | 1. Reading Quiz #8
2. Lecture Quiz #4
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| 11 | 4.5 | Free Will | Nagel, *Free Will* (181 – 186)Stace, *Free Will and Determinism* (186 – 188)Cahn, *Freedom or Determinism* (188 – 198) | 1. Reading Quiz #9
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| 12 | 4.12 | Free Will | Wolf, *Asymmetrical Freedom* (See PDF on Canvas) | 1. Reading Quiz #10
2. Critical Discussion #3 Pt 1
3. Critical Discussion #3 Pt 2
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| 13 | 4.19 | Personal Identity | Smart, *A Case of Identity* (229 – 231)Perry, *The Problem of Personal Identity* (231 – 233)Parfit, *The Unimportance of Identity* (233 – 237) | 1. Reading Quiz #11
2. Lecture Quiz #5
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|  |  | PART IV: ETHICS |  |  |
| 14 | 4.26 | Animal Rights | Warren, *Speaking of Animal Rights* (465 – 473) | 1. What's Your Moral Stance?
2. Reading Quiz #12
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| 15 | 5.3 | Abortion | Hursthouse, *Abortion* (424 – 432) | 1. Reading Quiz #13
2. Critical Discussion #4 Pt 1
3. Critical Discussion #4 Pt 2
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| 16 | 5.10 | Life & Death | Thomson, *The Trolley Problem* (629 – 630)Thomson, *Turning the Trolley* (630 – 633)Vitrano, Meaningful Lives (691 – 693) | 1. Reading Quiz #14
2. Lecture Quiz #6
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| 17 | 5.17 | Finals Week |  | 1. Final Paper
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