

Fall 2025 Phil 2 Course Schedule

All 10 [Reading Quizzes](#) are due on **Mondays** at 5:00pm

All 10 [Short Discussions](#) are due on **Mondays** at 5:00pm

All 3 [Critical Discussion Pt 1s](#) are due on **Wednesdays** at 11:59pm

All 3 [Critical Discussion Pt 2s](#) are due on **Fridays** at 11:59pm

All 4 [Lecturer Quizzes](#) are due in-class on **Mondays**

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC(S) OF THE WEEK	READING(S) FOR THE WEEK	ASSIGNMENT(S) DUE THIS WEEK
		PART I: WHY ETHICS		
1	8.25	Introduction	<i>None</i>	Who is You? due Fri at 11:59pm
2	9.1	<i>Labor Day (No Classes)</i>	<i>None</i>	
3	9.8	Happiness & Immorality	Cahn & Murphy, <i>Happiness & Immorality</i> (64 – 70)	Short Discussion #1 Reading Quiz #1

		PART II: MORAL THEORIES		
4	9.15	Egoism	Rachels, <i>Egoism and Moral Scepticism</i> (52 – 63)	Short Discussion #2 Reading Quiz #2
5	9.22	Utilitarianism	Mill, <i>Utilitarianism</i> (98 - 105) Pojman, <i>Strengths & Weaknesses</i> (106 – 114)	Short Discussion #3 Reading Quiz #3
6	9.29	Kantianism	Kant, <i>The Categorical Imperative</i> (83 – 93)	Reading Quiz #4 Critical Discussion #1 Pt 1 Critical Discussion #1 Pt 2 Lecture Quiz #1

7	10.6	Aristotelianism	Aristotle, <i>The Nature of Virtue</i> (115 – 120)	Short Discussion #4 Reading Quiz #5
8	10.13	Confucianism	Ivanhoe, <i>Confucianism Introduction</i> (PDF on Canvas)	Short Discussion #5 Reading Quiz #6

		PART III: MORAL ISSUES		
9	10.20	Homelessness Immigration	Waldron, <i>Homelessness and Freedom</i> (PDF on Canvas) Miller, <i>Immigration: The Case for Limits</i> (167 – 178)	Reading Quiz #7 Lecture Quiz #2
10	10.27	Conspiracy Theories	Nguyen, <i>Echo Chambers and Epistemic Bubbles</i> (PDF on Canvas)	Short Discussion #6 Reading Quiz #8
11	11.3	Euthanasia Killing Vs. Letting Die	Rachels, <i>Active and Passive Euthanasia</i> (361 – 367)	Short Discussion #7 Reading Quiz #9 Critical Discussion #2 Pt 1 Critical Discussion #2 Pt 2
12	11.10	Abortion	Thomson, <i>A Defense of Abortion</i> (307 – 323)	Reading Quiz #10 Lecture Quiz #3
13	11.17	Abortion Racism	Marquis, <i>Why Abortion is Immoral</i> (340 – 346) Appiah, <i>Racism</i> (195 - 200)	Short Discussion #8 Reading Quiz #11
14	11.24	Affirmative Action	Cahn, <i>Two Concepts of Affirmative Action</i> (PDF on Canvas) Hanson, <i>Facing Facts and Responsibilities</i> (PDF on Canvas)	Short Discussion #9 Reading Quiz #12

15	12.1	Virtual Reality Pornography	Luck, <i>The Gamer's Dilemma</i> (PDF on Canvas) Longino, <i>Pornography & Oppression</i> (233 – 343)	Short Discussion #10 Reading Quiz #13 Critical Discussion #3 Pt 1 Critical Discussion #3 Pt 2
16	12.8	War	Anscombe, <i>Mr. Truman's Degree</i> (PDF available on Canvas)	Reading Quiz #14 Lecture Quiz #4
17	12.15	Finals Week (No Class)	None	Final Paper due Mon at 11:59pm