

Fall 2026 Phil 2 Course Schedule

ASSIGNMENTS	Soft Deadline	Hard Deadline
(12) In-Class Reflections	N/A	N/A
(3) Short Take-Home Exams	N/A	N/A
(3) Lecture Quizzes	N/A	N/A
(2) Reading Struggle Analysis	Tuesday	Thursday
(1) Analysis of an Event	Tuesday	Thursday
(4) Paper Construction	Tuesday	Thursday
(3) Flexing Your Creative Muscles	Tuesday	Thursday
(3) Peer Feedback	Wednesday	Friday

**Both soft and hard deadlines are at 11:59pm.*

WEEK	DATE	TOPIC(S) OF THE WEEK	READING(S) FOR THE WEEK	ASSIGNMENT(S) DUE THIS WEEK
		PART I: WHY ETHICS		
1	8.31	INTRODUCTION	<i>Pick up your book!</i>	"Who Is You?" due Fri at 11:59pm
2	9.7	<i>LABOR DAY (NO CLASSES)</i>	<i>None</i>	
3	9.14	HAPPINESS & IMMORALITY	Cahn & Murphy, <i>Happiness & Immorality</i> (64 – 70)	<i>In-Class Reflection</i>

		PART II: MORAL THEORIES		
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4	9.21	EGOISM	Rachels, <i>Egoism and Moral Scepticism</i> (52 – 63)	In-Class Reflection Short Take-Home Exam #1
5	9.28	UTILITARIANISM	Mill, <i>Utilitarianism</i> (98 - 105) Pojman, <i>Strengths & Weaknesses</i> (106 – 114)	In-Class Reflection Reading Struggle Analysis
6	10.5	KANTIANISM	Kant, <i>The Categorical Imperative</i> (83 – 93)	In-Class Reflection Flexing Your Creative Muscle Peer Feedback
7	10.12	ARISTOTELIANISM	Aristotle, <i>The Nature of Virtue</i> (115 – 120)	In-Class Reflection Lecture Quiz #1
8	10.19	CONFUCIANISM	Ivanhoe, <i>Confucianism Introduction</i> (PDF on Canvas)	In-Class Reflection Analysis of an Event

		PART III: MORAL ISSUES		
9	10.26	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Paper Construction Short Take-Home Exam #2
10	11.2	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Flexing Your Creative Muscle Peer Feedback
11	11.9	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Lecture Quiz #2 Paper Construction

12	11.16	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Reading Struggle Analysis
13	11.23	PERSONAL DAY (NO CLASS)	None	
14	11.30	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Paper Construction Short Take-Home Exam #3
15	12.7	VOTE REQUIRED		In-Class Reflection Flexing Your Creative Muscle Peer Feedback
16	12.14	FINALS WEEK	None	Lecture Quiz #3 Paper Construction