

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
Course Outline

Philosophy 4210/4xxx and Ling453L
Survey of Philosophy of Language

SummerTerm 2020
Intersession May -Jun 26

- Ludwig Wittgenstein (1953), Selections from Philosophical Investigations
- J.L. Austin (1961), Performative Utterances

III. The Contemporary Mentalistic Tradition

- H. Paul Grice (1957), Meaning
- Jerry Fodor (1978), Propositional Attitudes

IV. Hybrid Theories

- John Searle (1965), What Is a Speech Act?
- H. Paul Grice (1967), Logic and Conversation

V. Case Study: Reference, Description, and the Tradition

- Peter Strawson (1950), On Referring
- Keith Donnellan (1966), Reference and Definite Descriptions
- Saul Kripke (1977), Speaker's Reference and Semantic Reference
- David Kaplan (1977), Demonstratives

REQUIREMENTS

In-Class Participation: 10%

Briefing Notes on Selected Philosophical Readings: 50%

Glossary: 15%

In-Class Exam: 25%

Briefing Notes At the outset of the relevant classes, students will hand in pages of three typewritten notes on the chapter assigned (words is appropriate.) These kdr O >>BDC -19
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Ordinarily, at least three days prior to the deadline for withdrawal from a course without academic penalty, students will receive assessment of work accounting for at least 15% of final grade. For the 1500 level course in the Summer term, however, such a graded assessment is impracticable. An exemption from this policy from the Dean has been secured.

COURSE ASSIGNMENT

The last day of scheduled classes in any course will be the last day on which course assignments will be accepted for credit in a course. Instructors will be required to return assignments to students as promptly as possible with reasonable explanations of the instructor's assessment of the assignment.

ACADEMIC OFFENCES

Scholastic offences are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy. Specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_undergrad.

PLAGIARISM CHECKING

In addition to submitted hard copies of assignments for blind grading papers must also be submitted for textual similarity review to the commercial plagiarism detection software under license to the University for the detection of plagiarism. All papers submitted for such checking will be included as source documents in the reference database for the purpose of detecting plagiarism of papers subsequently submitted to the system. Use of the service is to the licensing agreement, currently between The University of Western Ontario and Turnitin.com <http://www.turnitin.com>

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Services provided by the USC <http://westernusc.ca/services/>
Student Development Centre <http://www.sdc.uwo.ca/>

Students who are in emotional/mental distress refer to Mental Health@Western <http://www.uwo.ca/uwo.com/mentalhealth> for a complete list of options about how to obtain help. Immediate help in the event of a crisis can be had by phoning 519.663.1066 (during class hours) or 519.433.2023 after class hours and on weekends.