

**Philosophy 1:** Introduction to Philosophy Sanger Spring 1996  
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This section of Philosophy 1 will meet Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:50 p.m.

**Course objective:** This course is designed to familiarize you with 1) the scope, purposes, and methods of philosophy as a whole, 2) the ideas and methods of specific philosophers, and 3) the relevance of philosophical inquiry to your own life.

**Required materials:**

- The Experience of Philosophy (3rd ed.) from Wadsworth Pub.
- A Man For All Seasons from Random House Publishers
- a folder for your written work
- notebook paper, pencils and/or pens
- access to a word processor or typewriter

**Attendance:** Since each session of this night class is equivalent to three sessions of a day class, attendance at every class session is crucial. You may miss two class sessions without penalty. Your final grade will be lowered one letter grade for each additional class missed.

**Grading:** Your final grade will be based upon class participation and your written work. Your written work will include in-class quizzes, a mid-term and final exam, and two essays. Here is a breakdown of how your final grade will be determined:

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| --in-class quizzes    | 50% |
| --mid-term exam       | 5%  |
| --final exam          | 5%  |
| --5-7 page paper      | 10% |
| --10-12 page paper    | 20% |
| --class participation | 20% |

**Important days:**

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| Last day to register or drop and not appear on trans. | Jan. 26 |
| Mid-term exam, Paper #1 due                           | Mar. 6  |
| Final drop day  | Mar. 8  |
| Spring break  | Apr. 3  |
| Final exam, Paper #2 due                              | May 15  |

- Jan. 10: Introduction to Introduction to Philosophy
- Jan. 17: Discuss Krishnamurti (26) Walters (31) Russell (623)
- Jan. 24: Discuss Plato (544) Plato (2)
- Jan. 31: Discuss Clifford (231) James (237) Tolstoy (512)
- Feb. 7: Discuss Anselm (214) Aquinas (219) Pascal (222)  
Hume (257)
- Feb. 14: Discuss Tolstoy (512) Camus (519) Taylor (527)
- Feb. 21: Discuss Aristotle (593) Kant (551) Mill (556)
- Feb. 28: Discuss Nietzsche (561) Garner (578)
- Mar. 6: Paper #1 due, Mid-term exam
- Mar. 13: Discuss A Man For All Seasons
- Mar. 20: Discuss Locke (68) Hume (77) Perry (81)
- Mar. 27: Discuss Holbach (130) James (150)
- Apr. 3: Spring break--No Class!
- Apr. 10: Discuss Locke (386) Descartes (172)
- Apr. 17: Discuss Hofstadter (335) Zuboff (350)
- Apr. 24: Discuss Einstein (36) Einstein (302)
- May 1: Discuss Stairs (306) Kolak (317)
- May 8: Rough draft workshop
- May 15: Paper #2 due, Final exam