

Philosophy 230
Virtue Theory

MW 1015-1130
East Duke 108

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Reading schedule

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| Jan 11 | Introduction |
| Jan 18 | Foot, "Virtues and vices," in her <i>Virtues and Vices</i> (California, 1978) |
| Jan 23 | Hursthouse, <i>On Virtue Ethics</i> (Oxford, 1999), ch. 1 |
| Jan 25 | Hursthouse, <i>On Virtue Ethics</i> , ch. 8 |
| Jan 30 | Prichard, "Does moral philosophy rest on a mistake?" <i>Mind</i> (1912): 21-37 |
| Feb 1 | Driver, "The virtues and human nature," in Crisp (ed.) <i>How should one live?</i> (Oxford, 1996) |
| Feb 6 | No new reading |
| Feb 8 | Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , bk 2, chh. i-v |
| Feb 13 | Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , bk 2, chh. vi-ix |
| Feb 15 | Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , bk 3, chh. i-v |
| Feb 20 | Aristotle, <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> , bk 3, chh. vi-xii |
| Feb 22 | No new reading First essay due |
| Feb 27 | Pears, "Courage as a mean," in Rorty (ed.) <i>Essays on Aristotle's Ethics</i> (California, 1980) |
| March 1 | No new reading |
| March 6 | Miller, <i>Honesty</i> (Oxford, 2021), chh. 1-2 |
| March 8 | Miller, <i>Honesty</i> , chh. 3-4 |
| March 13 | <i>Spring break.</i> |
| March 20 | Miller, <i>Honesty</i> , chh. 5-6 |
| March 22 | No new reading |
| March 27 | Ross and Nisbett, <i>The Person and the Situation</i> (McGraw-Hill, 1991), chh. 1 & 5 Second essay due |
| March 29 | Doris, "Persons, Situations, and Virtue Ethics," <i>Noûs</i> 32 (1998): 504-30 |
| April 3 | Harman, "Moral Philosophy Meets Social Psychology," <i>Proceedings of the Aristotelian Society</i> 99 (1999): 315-331 |

- April 5 *No class*
- April 10 Urmson, "Saints and Heroes," in Melden (ed.) *Essays in Moral Philosophy* (University of Washington, 1958): 198-216
- April 12 Heyd, *Supererogation* (Cambridge, 1982), chh. 6-7
- April 17 Heyd, *Supererogation*, ch. 8
- April 19 Kamm, "Supererogation and obligation," *Journal of Philosophy* (1985) 82(3): 118-38
- April 24 Crisp, "Supererogation and virtue," *Oxford Studies in Normative Ethics* 3 (2014)
- April 26** *No class*
 End of lectures
 Third essay due

Texts

All readings except the Miller book will be made available in Sakai. Please purchase a copy of Miller.

Assignments

There will be three essays required in this course (2000 words each). Each essay will be worth 30 percent of the final grade. Participation in class is worth the final 10 percent.

Office hours

By appointment. Please e-mail me or arrange a meeting after class.

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