

Philosophy 366
The Empiricists
Syllabus, 2017 (Winter Term)

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Office Hours:

Tuesday, 10:00 – 12:00
Wednesday, 9:15 – 11:00
Thursday, 2:15 – 4:00
Other times by appointment

Schedule of Readings:

Jan 4	Introduction to Course; Hobbes; Boyle; Locke.
Jan 9	Locke: Innate Ideas; Origin of Ideas. <i>Essay I</i> : 1-2; II: 1 (pp. 11-22).
Jan 11	Locke: Simple Ideas; Primary & Secondary Qualities. <i>Essay II</i> :2-10 (pp. 22-33).
Jan 16	Locke: Complex Ideas; Modes. <i>Essay II</i> : 12-14 (pp. 33-42).
Jan 18	Locke: Power (Will). <i>Essay II</i> : 21 (pp. 42-50)
Jan 23	Locke: Substance; Identity. <i>Essay II</i> : 23,27 (pp. 53-70).
Jan 25	Locke: Knowledge of God and Other Things. IV: 10-11 (pp. 98-108).
Jan 30	Review
Feb 1	Quiz
Feb 6	Berkeley: Skepticism; Common Sense; Sensible Things; Primary and Secondary Qualities; Material Substrate. <i>First Dialogue</i> (pp. 176-195).
Feb 8	Berkeley: God, Will, Causality. <i>Second Dialogue</i> . (pp. 195-205).
Feb 13	Berkeley: Existence and Perception. <i>Third Dialogue</i> (pp. 205-213).
Feb 15	Berkeley: God, Evil, Creation. <i>Third Dialogue</i> (pp. 213-223).

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- Feb 27 Berkeley: Abstract Ideas. *Principles*, “Introduction” (pp. 130-138).
- Mar 1 Hume: Origin of Ideas. *Inquiry*. Sect. 1-3. (pp. 328-336). *Treatise I*, Pt. 1, Sect. 1-5 (240-247).
- Mar 6 Hume: Substances; Abstract Ideas; External Existence. *Treatise I*, Pt. 1, Sect. 6-7 (pp. 246-251).
- Mar 8 Hume: Probability and Necessary Connection. *Treatise I*, Pt. 3, Sect. 12, 14 (pp. 274-288).
- Mar 13 Hume: Liberty, Necessity, Animals. *Inquiry*, Sect. 8-9 (pp. 359-371).
- Mar 15 Hume: Religion – Proofs for God’s Existence. *Dialogues*, Pt. 4-5 (pp. 409-414)
- Mar 20 Hume: Identity & Immortality. *Treatise*, I, Pt. 4, Sect. 5-6 (pp. 312-327).
- Mar 22 Hume: Skepticism. *Inquiry*, Sect. 12 (pp. 387-394).
- Mar 27 Kant: The Problem of Skepticism from Hume. “Preface & Preamble”, Berlin Ed: pp. 256-271.
- Mar 29 Kant: Possibility of Metaphysics and Mathematics. Berlin Ed: pp. 271-294.
- Apr 3 Kant: The Dialectic of Pure Reason. Berlin Ed: pp. 326-351.
- Apr 5 Kant: The Boundaries of Pure Reason. Berlin Ed: pp. 351-365. **Term Essay Due.**

Required Texts for Class

Readings in Modern Philosophy Volume II: Locke, Berkeley, Hume, and Associated Texts. Edited by Roger Ariew and Eric Watkins. Indianapolis, IN: Hackett Publishing, 2000. ISBN: 978-0-87220-532-1.

Immanuel Kant, *Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics* (Second Edition). Trans. James W. Ellington. Indianapolis, IN: Hackett Publishing, 2002. ISBN: 978-0-87220-593-2.

Grading for the Course

Quiz (Feb 1)	20%
Term Essay (April 5)	40%
Final Exam	40%

Late Essays

Essays (term essays) submitted late will be penalized at the rate of one point off of the essay grade (out of 100) per day late, including weekends. Excused late permission can be provided by a note from the Dean's Office.

Academic Integrity

Please note the information given about the University Academic Integrity Policy in the *Academic Calendar*, 3.8. You are completely free to use any academic sources, including those found on the internet, to aid you in the writing of your essays. **If you do use any academic sources by citing, quoting, paraphrasing, or by using information or terminology, you must give a full reference to any such source. Failure to cite your sources can result in severe academic penalties, including dismissal from the University.** If you have any doubts about what might or might not be appropriate, please get in touch with me. In addition, the instructors in the Writing Centre can help you to understand what is permissible and what is not.

Classroom Courtesy

It is a great convenience, for some, to use electronic devices for note-taking and communicating. If you bring electronic devices to this classroom, please do not disturb your fellow students by the use of them for activities other than classroom work. Do not surf the internet, text your friends, or make or receive phone calls. Classes are short and intense. Be present and concentrate. Do not do anything to disturb others.