



HUMANITIES

HUMAN 101 Comparative Religions

(H5 904N)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

The goal of the course is to enhance the understanding of what religion is through a study of some of the forms it takes.

HUMAN 102 Foundational Religious Texts

(H5 901)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This is a humanistic study of one or more of the foundational documents of the world's religions such as the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament, the Qur'an, or the Vedas.

HUMAN 201 Humanities Themes: Myth, Reason, and God

(H9 900)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This course deepens students' understanding of their own moral, political, and religious beliefs through examining the major humanities themes in Greek and Hebrew texts basic to Western culture. Literary, historical, and philosophical perspectives are explored in readings which include Homer, Plato, and the Bible.

HUMAN 202 Form and Structure in the Arts

(HF 900)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

Coursework is divided among literature, painting, and music. Emphasis is on formal structure of these works, and on analysis rather than appreciation.

HUMAN 203 Major Modern Ideas

(IAI: H4 902)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This course examines major modern ideas that revolutionized how we think about human nature, history, and society. Focusing on the writings of Darwin, Marx, Nietzsche, and Freud, the course gives students an opportunity to reflect on what these thinkers said and debate the legacy of their ideas. Selections from other modern thinkers may be included to help students see the origins of ongoing debates about human culture.

PHILO 101 Introduction to Philosophy

(IAI: H4 900)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

Philosophy is traditionally understood as the "love of wisdom." This course invites students to become lovers of wisdom by raising fundamental questions about the world, ourselves, and the standards we use to evaluate thought and action. Looking closely at various responses to such questions, students will learn to think more critically about the ideas and arguments that have structured, and continue to structure, our everyday experience.

PHILO 202 Ethics

(H4 904)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

In this course students examine the role of reason in ethical decision-making. Traditional types of ethical reasoning are studied, compared, and applied to topics of current concern.

PHILO 203 Introduction to Logic

(H4 906)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This course introduces formal reasoning, including the nature and evaluation of deductive and inductive references, language and meaning, symbolization, formal and informal fallacies, and evidence and its nature and role in critical thinking.

PHILO 204 Philosophy of Religion

(H4 905)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This course covers religious concepts and theories such as the existence and nature of a deity, the nature of good and evil, reason and faith, ethics, and the after-life. It may also include an examination of the nature of religious language and experience.

PHILO 205 Eastern Philosophy

(H4 903N)

Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 099 or higher

3 lectures per week: 3 hrs transfer credit

This course presents the thoughts of great philosophers of the Eastern Tradition, including the ideas of Siddhartha Gautama, Lao-Tzu, Kahlil Gibran, and others.

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-Gautama Buddha-



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