

Class Assignment Schedule  
Philosophy 102: Introduction to Philosophical  
Inquiry  
Section 03 MWF 9:10 am–10:10 am  
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# 1 Class Assignments

## Assignment Schedule *Version 1.1*

*Note:* The following assignment schedule is subject to revision and is intended to be a general guide to the assignments this semester. The assignment written on the board at the beginning of each class takes precedence over this schedule. As the semester progresses, for the most recent version of our class schedule, check this URL:

<http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/assignment.html>.

If an update to the schedule is available, the version number will be a number higher than *Version 1.0*. (For example, the first revision, if there is one, will be labeled *Version 1.1*)

In the “Date” column, the number after *M*, *W*, or *F* is the number sequence of the class, counting from the beginning of the semester. *M*, *W*, and *F* stand for “Monday,” “Wednesday,” and “Friday” respectively.

In the “Class Topic” column, the subjects covered by that day’s class are listed, together with important due dates for assignments, including quizzes and tests. The “Assignment” column lists the day an assignment is assigned, *not* the day the assignment is due. Assignments are due at the beginning of the next class meeting period unless stated otherwise.

The textbook for the course *Reading for Philosophical Inquiry: A Brief Introduction to Philosophical Thinking* is abbreviated *RPI* in the Assignment Schedule below.

The reading assignments refer to the URLs or the Internet addresses of online readings. You may access the *Reading for Philosophical Inquiry* readings in HTML form by navigating to this URL:

<http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/book1.html>

and scroll to the bottom of the page for the table of contents as a list of hyperlinks to the appropriate article. (No page numbers are given for HTML pages.)

Note that almost 40% of the reading assignments are the online class notes which are meant to supplement your class notes and are abbreviated in the Assignment Schedule as *CN*. Several reading assignments are given from *Introduction to Ethical Studies: An Open Source Reader*, abbreviated in the Assignment Schedule as *IES*.

These assignments are most easily accessed from the pdf and html assignment pages on the philosophy Website where all URLs are hyperlinked to the assignments.

Please also refer to the example online tests, quizzes, and links online which are not listed below in this assignment sheet but which can be accessed from the class homepage.

## 2 Assignment Schedule *Version 1.0*

Date	Class Topic	Assignment
01.12.09 M 1	Welcome to the Course Purpose of the Course How to Study for this Course Course Requirements	Study Class Syllabus <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/syllabus/">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/syllabus/</a> “How to Study” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/study-topics.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/study-topics.html</a>
01.14.09 W 2	What is Philosophy? Philosophy on the Internet Web Practice Sheet Help	<i>Q-1</i> Web Practice Sheet <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/syllabus/">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/syllabus/</a>
01.16.09 F 3	Thought Experiments <i>Q-1</i> Web Practice Sheet Philosophical Problems	<i>RPI</i> Pt. I: Personal Uses of Philosophy <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p268.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p268.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/character.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/character.shtml</a>
01.19.09 M 4	Example Philosophical Problems The Principle of Charity Observation Theory Formation	Begin <i>RPI</i> Ch. 2: The Nature of Learning <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c337.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c337.html</a> End at <i>RPI</i> Ch. 2: “In the Laboratory with Agassiz” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x426.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x426.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/charity.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/charity.shtml</a> <i>Q-2</i> Principle of Charity
01.21.09 W 5	Facts and Understanding Facts and Theories <i>Q-2</i> Principle of Charity	<i>RPI</i> Begin <i>RPI</i> Ch.2: Facts and Theories <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x539.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x539.html</a> End <i>RPI</i> Ch. 2: Facts are Often Theory-Dependent <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x585.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x585.html</a>
01.23.09 F 6	Philosophy Questions Main Divisions of Philosophy	<i>RPI</i> Begin Ch.3: Nature of Philosophical Inquiry <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c712.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c712.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/what.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/what.shtml</a>

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01.26.09 M	M.L. King Holiday	Optional <i>Wikipedia</i> "Philosophy: Definition of Philosophy" Optional <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philosophy">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philosophy</a>
01.28.09 W 7	The Trial of Socrates Part I Socrates' Life <i>The Apology I</i>	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 4: "Just Do What's Right" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c1271.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c1271.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/apology1.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/apology1.shtml</a> <i>Q-3</i> Main Divisions of Philosophy
01.30.09 F 8	The Trial of Socrates Part II Platonic Idealism Part II <i>The Apology II</i> <i>Q-3</i> Main Divisions of Philosophy	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 5: "Seek Truth Rather Than Escape Death" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c1713.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c1713.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/apology2.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/apology2.shtml</a> <i>Q-4</i> Socratic Paradox <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/socrates_quiz.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/socrates_quiz.html</a>
02.02.09 M 9	Analogy of the Divided Line <i>Q-4</i> Socratic Paradox	Optional <i>Wikipedia</i> "Philosophy: Idealism" Optional <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philosophy">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Philosophy</a>
02.04.09 W 10	Review for <i>Test I</i> The Nature of Philosophy	Review for <i>Test I</i> The Nature of Philosophy Review Chapters 1-5
02.06.09 F 11	<i>Test I</i> : The Nature of Philosophy Last day to withdraw with a <i>W</i>	Optional A. Adler, "The Basic Difference Between Science and Philosophy" Optional <a href="http://www.radicalacademy.com/adlersciphil1.htm">http://www.radicalacademy.com/adlersciphil1.htm</a>
02.09.09 M 12	Bertrand Russell <i>The Problems of Philosophy</i> Science and Philosophy	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 6: "Enlargement of Self" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x2032.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x2032.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/russell.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/russell.shtml</a> <i>Q-5</i> Science and Philosophy <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/science_quiz.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/science_quiz.html</a>
02.11.09 W 13	Practical and Philosophic Minds <i>Q-5</i> Science and Philosophy Goals of Philosophy	Begin <i>RPI</i> Ch. 7: "Only Faith Can Give Truth" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c2347.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c2347.html</a> From "Everyday Life" to "Science Renders Life Meaningless" <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/tolstoy.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/tolstoy.shtml</a>

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02.13.09 F 14	Leo Tolstoy <i>A Confession</i>	Complete <i>RPI</i> Ch. 7: “Only Faith Can Give Truth” “Science Renders Life Meaningless” to end. <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x2415.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/x2415.html</a>
02.16.09 M 15	Albert Camus I <i>The Myth of Sisyphus</i> Absurdity and Happiness	<i>RPI</i> Ch.8: <i>Le Mythe de Sisyphe</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c2775.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c2775.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/camus.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/camus.shtml</a>
02.18.09 W 16	Albert Camus II What is Absurdity?	“Man Provides Life’s Meaning” <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/camus.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/camus.html</a>
02.20.09 F 17	Review for <i>Test II</i> Philosophy of Life	Review for <i>Test II</i> Philosophy of Life <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/life_test.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/life_test.html</a>
02.23.09 M 18	<i>Test II</i> Philosophy of Life	<i>RPI</i> Pt. II “Philosophy of Religion” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p3053.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p3053.html</a>
02.25.09 W 19	<i>Review of Test II</i> Meaning of Life and God’s Existence <i>A posteriori</i> Arguments <i>A priori</i> Arguments	<i>RPI</i> “God and the World” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3114.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3114.html</a> <i>Wikipedia</i> “ <i>A priori</i> and <i>A Posteriori</i> ” <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_priori_and_a_posteriori_(philosophy)">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/A_priori_and_a_posteriori_(philosophy)</a>
02.27.09 F 20	Anselm’s Ontological Argument Gaunilo’s Perfect Island Problem of Existential Import	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 10 “The Ontological Argument” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3171.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3171.html</a> <i>RPI</i> Ch. 11 “An Answer to Anselm” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3305.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3305.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/anselm.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/anselm.shtml</a> <i>Q-6</i> Anselm’s Ontological Argument
03.02.09 03.06.09	Spring Break	Optional: <i>Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy</i> , “Religion, Philosophy of” Optional: <a href="http://www.rep.routledge.com/article/K113">http://www.rep.routledge.com/article/K113</a>
03.09.09 M 21	Aristotle’s Factors of Explanation <i>Q-6</i> Anselm’s Ontological Argument	<i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/aquinas.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/aquinas.shtml</a>

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03.11.09 W 22	Thomas Aquinas I First Cause Argument Argument from Motion	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 13 “From the Nature of the Universe” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3703.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c3703.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/motion.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/motion.shtml</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/cause.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/cause.shtml</a>
03.13.09 F 23	Thomas Aquinas II Argument from Necessity Great Chain of Being	<i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/necessity.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/necessity.shtml</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/gradation.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/gradation.shtml</a>
03.16.09 M 24	The Teleological Argument Thomas on Design William Paley’s Watch Argument	<i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/governance.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/governance.shtml</a> <i>RPI</i> Ch.14 “The Teleological Argument” <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/paley.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/paley.shtml</a> Q-7 Thomas’ Five Proofs <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/aquinas_quiz.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/aquinas_quiz.html</a>
03.18.09 W 25	David Hume Analogical Arguments Q-7 Thomas’ Five Proofs	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 15 “Critique of the Design Argument” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4156.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4156.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/hume.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/hume.shtml</a>
03.20.09 F 26	Blaise Pascal “The Heart Has Its Reasons” Introduction to Decision Theory	<i>RPI</i> Ch.16 “The Wager” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4326.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4326.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/pascal.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/pascal.shtml</a> Q-8 Pascal’s Wager
03.23.09 M 27	Fyodor Dostoevsky The Problem of Evil Q-8 Pascal’s Wager Hick’s Answer to the Problem	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 17 “The Problem of Evil” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4531.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4531.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/dostoevsky.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/dostoevsky.shtml</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/hick.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/hick.shtml</a> Q-9 Problem of Evil

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03.25.09 W 28	Review for <i>Test III</i> <i>Q-9</i> Problem of Evil	Review for <i>Test III</i> Philosophy of Religion <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/religion_test.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/religion_test.html</a>
03.27.09 F 29	<i>Test III</i> Philosophy of Religion	<i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p4827.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/p4827.html</a> Optional <i>Wikipedia</i> "Determinism" Optional <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Determinism">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Determinism</a>
03.30.09 M 30	Free Will and Determinism Predestination and Fatalism Choice and Chance	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 18 "Free Will and Determinism" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4909.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c4909.html</a> <i>CN</i> Opt. <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/determinism.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/determinism.html</a> <i>Q-10</i> Free Will and Determinism <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/determinism_quiz.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/determinism_quiz.html</a>
04.01.09 W 31	Ethical Relativism Ethical Absolutism <i>Q-10</i> Free Will and Determinism	<a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/relativism.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/relativism.html</a> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/stace.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/stace.html</a>
04.03.09 M 32	Plato Social Contract Egoism Psychological Egoism  Bernard Mandeville <i>The Fable of the Bees</i>	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 21 "The Ring of Gyges" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c5641.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c5641.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/gyges.shtml">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/gyges.shtml</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/egoism.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/egoism.html</a> <i>Q-11</i> Refutation of Psychological Egoism <i>IES</i> Ch. 24 Optional: "Human Beings are Selfish" Opt. <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/ethicsbook/c6060.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/ethicsbook/c6060.html</a>
04.06.09 M 33	Aristotle <i>Eudaimonia; Arete</i> Doctrine of the Mean <i>Q-11</i> Refute Psychological Egoism	<i>RPI</i> Ch.22 "Life of Excellence: Living and Doing Well" <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c5839.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c5839.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/aristotle1.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/aristotle1.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/aristotle2.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/aristotle2.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/mean_quiz.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/mean_quiz.html</a> <i>Q-12</i> Doctrine of the Mean

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04.08.09 W 34	Jeremy Bentham I Utilitarianism Hedonistic Calculus <i>Q-12</i> Doctrine of the Mean	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 23 “Happiness is the Greatest Good” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6178.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6178.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/calculus.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/calculus.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/notes-bentham.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/notes-bentham.html</a>
04.10.09 F 35	Friedrich Nietzsche Master and Slave Morality Will to Power	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 24 “Slave and Master Morality” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6516.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6516.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/notes-nietzsche.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/notes-nietzsche.html</a>
04.13.09 M 36	Jean-Paul Sartre Existence Precedes Essence We are Responsible for All Persons	<i>RPI</i> Ch. 25 “Man Makes Himself” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6830.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c6830.html</a> <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/sartre.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/sartre.html</a>
04.15.09 W 37	Review for <i>Test IV</i> Philosophical Ethics	Review for <i>Test IV</i> Philosophical Ethics Syllabus <i>CN</i> <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/ethics_test.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/ethics_test.html</a>
04.17.09 F 38	<i>Test IV</i> Philosophical Ethics	Optional Ortega y Gasset, “Man, As Project” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/articles/ortega-a.pdf">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/articles/ortega-a.pdf</a>
04.20.09 W 39	Review of <i>Test IV</i> Ethics Last Day for complete withdrawal from classes	Review for Approved Make-up Tests
04.22.09 W 40	Final Examination Period 8:00am–10:00pm Approved Make-up Tests	Summer Reading <i>RPI</i> William James, “What Makes a Life Significant?” <a href="http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c9204.html">http://philosophy.lander.edu/intro/introbook2.1/c9204.html</a>