

HISTORY OF ANALYTIC PHILOSOPHY PHIL316 (AO1)

Mainstream Western contemporary philosophy is "analytic philosophy". Analytic philosophy emerged from a series of remarkable innovations primarily in logic, the philosophy of language, and the philosophy of science. These innovations profoundly influenced all areas of philosophy. This course surveys the roots and legacies of these innovations by examining the main themes and methods dominating early analytic philosophy as well as some of the major figures engaged with them.

PREREQUISITES PHIL203 + 3 units of philosophy, or permission.

PLACE/TIME CLE A303, Monday & Thursday 1:00pm-2:20pm (fall 2017)

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OFFICE HOURS CLE B323 Monday 2:30-4:30pm, or by appointment.

WEBSITE 🌐 coursespaces.uvic.ca/course/view.php?id=33716

TEXTS

- AYER, *Language, Truth, and Logic* (Dover)
- FREGE, *The Foundations of Arithmetic*, trans. AUSTIN (Wiley-Blackwell)
- KRIPKE, *Naming and Necessity* (Harvard)
- RUSSELL, *The Philosophy of Logical Atomism* (Routledge)
- WITTGENSTEIN, *Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus*, 2nd edition, trans. MCGUINNESS & PEARS (Routledge).
- WITTGENSTEIN, *Philosophical Investigations*, 4th edition, trans. ANSCOMBE, HACKER & SCHULTE; ed. HACKER & SCHULTE (Wiley-Blackwell)

Before buying: These texts are on reserve at the library. Many are also available elsewhere (online; in anthologies, etc.).

EVALUATION

RUBRIC The RUBRIC supplements this syllabus and all coursework. It describes the skilled craftsmanship to be trained in this class and gives general guidelines for applying it. Refer to it throughout the term:
🌐 [mikeraven.net/teaching/\[Raven\] Philosophy Rubric.pdf](http://mikeraven.net/teaching/[Raven] Philosophy Rubric.pdf)

WORK

- **3 problem sets** (75%) Due (tentative): OCT7, NOV10, DEC7
- **Checkpoints** (20%): Best 7 of 10 unannounced in-class quizzes
- **Participation** (5%): Engagement with the course, including contributions to class and communication with the instructor.

GRADES The grade you earn depends on your work in this course. All work is needed to pass. No extra credit. Work is evaluated for craftsmanship (see RUBRIC) on the scale: A+>90 A89-85 A-84-80 B+79-77 B76-73 B-72-70 C+69-65 C64-60 D59-50 F<50

LATENESS If you do not expect to complete an assignment on time, inform the instructor and then submit what you have done on time. Extensions must be requested before due date and must include a compelling reason (e.g. documented medical problem). Extensions expire by return date (exceptions only at the instructor's discretion). Unextended late work is penalized 5 points/day and is not entitled to feedback.

POLICIES

CONDUCT	Enrolling binds you to a social contract: be professional and respectful in class (e.g. don't bully, distract) and in your work (see RUBRIC §3.4).
CONTACT	When seeking guidance, communicate professionally: first check official sources (syllabus, website, RUBRIC), and budget time for replies.
RECORDING	Audio/visual recordings require instructor's prior consent, or an approved accommodation plan. Do not distribute recordings publicly.
GUESTS	Guests are not permitted without instructor's prior consent.
INTEGRITY	Plagiarism is not tolerated. Ignorance is no excuse. Read: web.uvic.ca/calendar2017-05/undergrad/info/regulations/academic-integrity.html
SURVEY	Please complete a <i>course experience survey</i> (CES) at ces.uvic.ca .
DISABILITY	Consult with CAL and instructor at start of term.

SCHEDULE

(Tentative: see website for updates.)

LOGICISM

SEP7	Introduction	
11	• FREGE, <i>The Foundations of Arithmetic</i>	Introduction, I-II
14		§§46,55-69
18		§§70-83

ANALYSIS

SEP21	• MOORE, "A Defence of Common Sense"	
25	• RUSSELL, "On Denoting"	
28	• RUSSELL, "Knowledge by Acquaintance and Knowledge by Description"	

ATOMISM

OCT2	• RUSSELL, <i>The Philosophy of Logical Atomism</i>	
5		
12	• WITTGENSTEIN, <i>Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus</i>	
16		

POSITIVISM

OCT19	• AYER, <i>Language, Truth, and Logic</i>	I,IV
23	• CARNAP, "Empiricism, Semantics, and Ontology"	
26	• STEBBING, "Logical Positivism and Analysis"	
	• HEMPEL, "Empiricist Criteria of Cognitive Significance"	
30	• QUINE, "Two Dogmas of Empiricism"	

ORDINARY LANGUAGE

NOV2	• WITTGENSTEIN, <i>Philosophical Investigations</i>	§§1-133
6		§§143-155,177-202
9	• ANSCOMBE, "The First Person"	
16	• GRICE, "Logic and Conversation"	

BEYOND

NOV20	• MARCUS, "Modalities and Intensional Languages"	
23	• KRIPKE, <i>Naming and Necessity</i>	Lecture I
27		Lecture II
30		Lecture III