DPHY 2322

Empiricism in the 17th and 18th Centuries

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Required Texts

 Course reader available for download on course website

Course Website

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Course Work and Grading

Track 1

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| Assignment | Due | Value |
| Short Essay 1 | By email, 11:59 PM, Feb 8 | 20% |
| Mid-Term Examination | In class, Mar 1 | 20% |
| Short Essay 2 | By email, 11:59 PM, Apr 5 | 20% |
| Final Examination | TBA | 30% |
| Participation | Ongoing | 10% |
| Optional Short Essay 3 | By email, 11:59 PM, Apr 19 | Replaces the Short Essay 1, 2 or Mid-Term, whichever is lowest grade. |

Track 2

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| Assignment | Due | Value |
| Short Essay | By email, 11:59 PM, Feb 8 | 20% |
| Abstract | Mar 1 (500 words) | 10% |
| In Class Presentation | Before Apr 5 | 20% |
| Term Paper | 10 pages | 35% |
| Participation | Ongoing | 15% |

1. Late work will lose one letter grade increment per day. For example, a piece of work one day late that would ordinarily receive a B would receive a B-. Missing an exam will result in a zero.

2. I take plagiarism seriously, and so does the [Dominican University College](http://www.dominicanu.ca/sites/default/files/pdfs/Academic_Integrity_Policy-2014-04-15.pdf). Please familiarize yourself with this policy to ensure that you do not plagiarize by mistake.

3. If you require special assistance, or if you would like to ask for an extension, please speak to me before or after class.

4. You may submit Short Essay 3 if you wish, and I will count it instead of your lowest grade on the Mid-Term or the other two essays. There will be no other extra credit assignments for this course.

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| Date | Due | Topic | Reading |
| Jan 11 |  | Introduction |  |
| Jan 18 |  | Ideas | Sec 2-10  Sec 33 |
| Jan 25 |  | Representationalism | Sec 1  Sec 11-18 |
| Jan 27 | Feast of St. Thomas | | |
| Feb 1 |  | Substances and Causes | Sec 19-22  Sec 31  Sec 32 |
| Feb 8 | Short Essay 1 | Identity and Words | Sec 23-25 |
| Feb 15 |  | The External World | Sec 26-31  Sec 35  Sec 36 |
| Feb 22 | Reading Week | | |
| Mar 1 | Midterm / Abstract | | |
| Mar 8 |  | Why Immaterialism? | Sec 37-42 |
| Mar 15 |  | Immaterialism | Sec 34  Sec 43 |
| Mar 22 |  | Puzzles and Freedom | Sec 44-52 |
| Mar 29 |  | Ideas | Sec 53-59 |
| Apr 5 | Short Essay 2 | Causes | Sec 60-65  Sec 34 |
| Apr 12 |  | Scepticism | Sec 66-71 |
| Apr 19 | Optional Third Essay | Self/Review | Sec 72 |
| Apr 26 | Final Exam / Term Paper due |  |  |

I reserve the right to make minor changes to the syllabus as the course proceeds.