

PHI 3820 Epistemology
A Tentative Course syllabus

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Topics:

1. Introduction
2. Tripartite Analysis of Knowledge
3. The Gettier Problem & Proposals for Solving It
4. Foundationalism
5. Coherentism
6. Externalism: Reliablism
7. Skepticism (I): High-standards Skepticism & Fallibilism
8. Skepticism (II): Closure Principle and Contextualism
9. The Pragmatist's Challenge

Assessment

Grading will be based on the following: tutorial performance, examination, and essays.

Major Texts

1. Sosa, E. & Kim, J., *Epistemology: An Anthology*
2. Feldman, R., *Epistemology*
3. Bonjour, L., *Epistemology*
4. Dancy, J., *Introduction to Contemporary Epistemology*

Selected Bibliography

Alston, William P.	<i>The Reliability of Sense Perception</i>
Annas and Barnes	<i>The Modes of Scepticism</i>
Aristotle	<i>On the Soul</i> (tr. W. S. Hett)
Audi, Robert	<i>Epistemology</i>
Ayer, A. J.	<i>The Problem of Knowledge</i>
Bernecker and Dretske	<i>Knowledge: Readings in Contemporary Epistemology</i>
Bonjour and Sosa	<i>Epistemic Justification</i>
Bonjour, Laurence	<i>The Structure of Empirical Knowledge</i>
Bonjour, Laurence	<i>In Defense of Pure Reason</i>
Chisholm, Roderick	<i>Theory of Knowledge</i>
Chisholm, Roderick	<i>Perceiving: A Philosophical Study</i>
Coady, C.A.J.	<i>Testimony</i>
Davidson, Donald	<i>Inquires into Truth and Interpretation</i>
Davidson, Donald	<i>Subjective, Intersubjective, Objective</i>
Dretske, Fred I.	<i>Seeing and Knowing</i>
Fogelin, Robert	<i>Pyrrhonian Reflections on Knowledge and Justification</i>

Fumerton, R.	<i>Metaepistemology and Skepticism</i>
Goldman., Alvin	<i>Epistemology and Cognition</i>
Greco and Sosa	<i>Blackwell Guide to Epistemology</i>
Haack, Susan	<i>Evidence and Inquiry</i>
Harman, Gilbert	<i>Change in View</i>
Horwich, Paul	<i>Truth</i>
Huemer and Audi	<i>Epistemology: Contemporary Readings</i>
Jackson, Frank	<i>Perception: A Representation Theory</i>
Kitcher, Philip	<i>The Nature of Mathematical Knowledge</i>
Kulp, Christopher B.	<i>Realism/Antirealism and Epistemology</i>
Lehrer, Keith	<i>Theory of Knowledge</i>
Moser, Paul K.	<i>Knowledge and Evidence</i>
Nozick, Robert	<i>Philosophical Investigations</i>
Plantinga, Alvin	<i>Warrant and Proper Function</i>
Pojman, Louis	<i>What Can We Know?</i>
Pojman, Louis	<i>Theory of Knowledge: Classic and Contemporary Readings, 2nd Edition</i>
Pollock, John	<i>Contemporary Theories of Knowledge</i>
Price, H. H.	<i>Perception</i>
Putnam, Hilary	<i>Reason, Truth and History</i>
Quine & Ullian	<i>The Web of Belief</i>
Quine, W.V.O.	<i>Ontological Relativity and Other Essays</i>
Quine, W.V.O.	<i>From a Logical Point of View</i>
Quine, W.V.O.	<i>Pursuit of Truth</i>
Rorty, Richard	<i>Philosophy and the Mirror of Nature</i>
Searle, John R.	<i>The Construction of Social Reality</i>
Shope, Robert K.	<i>The Analysis of Knowing</i>
Stroud, Barry	<i>The Significance of Philosophical Scepticism</i>
Villanueva, Enrique	<i>Truth</i>
William, Michael	<i>Problems of Knowledge</i>
Williams, Bernard	<i>Descartes: The Project of Pure Enquiry</i>
Williamson, Timothy	<i>Knowledge and Its Limits</i>
Wittgenstein, Ludwig	<i>Philosophical Investigation</i>
Wittgenstein, Ludwig	<i>Remarks on the Foundations of mathematics</i>
DePaul, Michael	<i>Resurrecting Old-Fashioned Foundationalism</i>