

Course Title: Epistemology

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### **Outline Content:**

1. Introduction: What is epistemology?
2. Truth
3. High Standards Skepticism and Fallibilism
4. The Traditional Analysis of Knowledge
5. The Gettier Problem
6. Ordinary Standards Skepticism
7. Skepticism and the Closure Principle
8. Foundationalism
9. Coherentism
10. Reliabilism

### **Assessment:**

Classroom Presentation	(20%)
Term Paper	(40%)
Examination	(40%)

### **References:**

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