PHIL 3820 Epistemology* 2014-15

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Topics:

- 1. Introduction
- 2. The Tripartite Analysis of Knowledge
- 3. The Gettier Problem
- 4. The Structure of Knowledge: Foundationalism
- 5. The Structure of Knowledge: Coherentism
- 6. The Externalism-Internalism Debate and Reliablism
- 7. Skepticism I: Descartes, Certainty, and Falliblism
- 8. Skepticism II: Closure and Contextualism
- 9. A Priori Knowledge

Assessment:

Grading will be based on the following:

- 1. Continuous Assessment: Class discussion and (mainly) tutorial performance.
- 2. In-class term-end test.
- 3. Term Essay.

Major Texts: (a list of required and suggestion reading to be provided separately)

- 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. The Reliability of Sense Perception

Annas and Barnes
Aristotle

The Modes of Scepticism
On the Soul (tr. W. S. Hett)

Audi, Robert Epistemology

Ayer, A. J. The Problem of Knowledge

Bernecker and Dretske Knowledge: Readings in Contemporary Epistemology

Bonjour and Sosa *Epistemic Justification*

Bonjour, Laurence The Structure of Empirical Knowledge

Bonjour, Laurence In Defense of Pure Reason
Chisholm, Roderick Theory of Knowledge

Chisholm, Roderick Perceiving: A Philosophical Study

Coady, C.A.J. *Testimony*

Davidson, Donald Inquires into Truth and Interpretation
Davidson, Donald Subjective, Intersubjective, Objective

^{*}This is a preliminary outline. The final version will be available on Blackboard at the beginning of Term 2, January 2015.

Dretske, Fred I. Seeing and Knowing

Fogelin, Robert Pyrrhonian Reflections on Knowledge and Justification

Fumerton, R. Metaepistemology and Skepticism
Goldman., Alvin
Greco and Sosa Metaepistemology and Cognition
Blackwell Guide to Epistemology

Haack, SusanEvidence and InquiryHarman, GilbertChange in View

Horwich, Paul Truth

Huemer and Audi
Jackson, Frank
Kitcher, Philip
Kulp, Christopher B.

Epistemology: Contemporary Readings
Perception: A Representation Theory
The Nature of Mathematical Knowledge
Realism/Antirealsim and Epistemology

Lehrer, Keith
Moser, Paul K.
Nozick, Robert
Plantinga, Alvin

Theory of Knowledge
Knowledge and Evidence
Philosophical Investigations
Warrant and Proper Function

Pojman, Louis What Can We Know?

Pojman, Louis Theory of Knowledge: Classic and Contemporary Readings, 2nd

Edition

Pollock, John Contemporary Theories of Knowledge

Price, H. H. Perception

Putnam, Hilary Reason, Truth and History

Quine & Ullian The Web of Belief

Quine, W.V.O. Ontological Relativity and Other Essays

Quine, W.V.O. From a Logical Point of View

Quine, W.V.O. Pursuit of Truth

Rorty, Richard Philosophy and the Mirror of Nature Searle, John R. The Construction of Social Reality

Shope, Robert K. *The Analysis of Knowing*

Stroud, Barry The Significance of Philosophical Scepticism

Villanueva, Enrique Truth

William, Michael Problems of Knowledge

Williams, Bernard Descartes: The Project of Pure Enquiry

Williamson, Timothy
Wittgenstein, Ludwig

Philosophical Investigation

Wittgenstein, Ludwig Remarks on the Foundations of mathematics
DePaul, Michael Resurrecting Old-Fashioned Foundationalism