PROVISIONAL COURSE OUTLINE – SUBJECT TO CHANGE!
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PHIL4262
Existentialism 存在主義

Course Outline

Time: H 3:30pm-6:15pm	**Location: HYS G03**

Course overview (as shown on CUSIS)

This course examines the background and characteristics of the philosophies of existence, such as those of Kierkegaard, Nietzsche, Jaspers, Heidegger, Sartre, and Beauvoir.

Advisory to Majors: to be taken in year 2 or above.

Learning outcomes (as shown on CUSIS)

1. Understand the historical and cultural conditions of the emergence of philosophies of existence.
2. Grasp the concepts and philosophical issues discussed by existential philosophers.
3. Acquire a critical view on the doctrines put forward by philosophers of existence.
4. Enhanced ability to research independently on the issues taught

Assessment scheme as prescribed on CUSIS (revise if necessary)

Task nature	***Weight***
Essay	60%
Presentation	15%
Participation	15%
Quizes	10%

Grade Descriptor

Please refer to: http://phil.arts.cuhk.edu.hk/~phidept/UG/Grade_descriptors.pdf

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Course schedule

Week	***Topics***	***Required reading***
1	Introduction	
2	Precursors	Selections from Nietzsche, Heidegger, Camus, and Sartre
3	The Existentialist Offensive	Selections from Sartre and Beauvoir
4		
5	Sartre: *Being and Nothingness*	Sartre, *Being and Nothingness* (selections)
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8		
9	Beauvoir: *The Ethics of Ambiguity*	Beauvoir, *The Ethics of Ambiguity* (full text)
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12		
13	**Student presentations**	

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