

CRN#**Fall 2020 Philosophy Cornerstone Course Descriptions**

20855	PHL 113-A, CS: What Does it all Mean?	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20856	PHL 113-B, CS: What Does it all Mean? Prof. A. Carmichael	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	In this course, we will examine some perennial issues in philosophy, including the nature of the self, knowledge, friendship and love, tragedy, and freedom and justice.	
	Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20866	PHL 113-C, CS: What Does it all Mean? Prof. B. O'Sullivan	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	In this course, we will examine some perennial issues in philosophy, including the nature of the self, knowledge, friendship and love, tragedy, and freedom and justice.	
	Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20502	PHL 116-A, CS: What You Thought You Knew	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20863	PHL 116-B, CS: What You Thought You Knew Prof. A. Lannstrom	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	What is true happiness? Is morality real, or is it just a made up thing? Everything we experience is put together by our brains --- how, then, can we be sure any of it is really true? Are we secretly biased? Does God exist? Should all protests be non-violent or is violence sometimes allowable?	
	Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20852	PHL 117-A, HON: CS: Mind, Body, Self, Science Prof. C. Mekios	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	An examination of how philosophers have historically treated questions pertaining to the relationship between mind and body, the concept of the self, the human condition, and the limits of what we can know about such things. What makes these problems philosophical in nature? Could they be resolved by science instead?	
	Only open to Honors scholars. Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20503	PHL 118-A, COR: Questions of Culture and Value	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20867	PHL 118-B, COR: Questions of Culture and Value	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20868	PHL 118-C, COR: Questions of Culture and Value Prof. J. Velazquez	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	Why do we enjoy sitcoms where the characters suffer social and romantic disasters: are we just cruel or is there some other explanation? Is morality something real or is power the only reality and morality just an illusion? What kind of compassion is the best kind? Why are flowers beautiful? What's the hidden meaning of the marriage ceremony?	
	Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20504	PHL 121-A, CS: Philosophy as a Way of Life	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20864	PHL 121-B, CS: Philosophy as a Way of Life Prof. E. McGushin	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
	Philosophy is often taught as a theoretical discipline about abstract ideas and arguments. This course will emphasize how the ideas and insights of different philosophers might be applied to our daily lives and potentially change the way we live, helping us lead wiser, better and more authentic lives.	
	Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.	
20860	PHL 122-A, CS: Questions Without Answers?	3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)

- 20861 PHL 122-B, CS: Questions Without Answers? 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)**
20862 PHL 122-C, CS: Questions Without Answers? 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
Prof. K. Giberson
 What do we do when great questions have no answers? This class explores timeless questions about God, free will, right & wrong, purpose & meaning, life after death and other deep mysteries at the heart of what it means to be human. How should we respond when what we most need to know seems unknowable?
- Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.
- 20857 PHL 123-A, CS: The Examined Life 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)**
20858 PHL 123-B, CS: The Examined Life 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
20859 PHL 123-C, CS: The Examined Life 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
Prof. A. Celano
 An introductory examination of the history and nature of Western philosophical thought from the ancient Greeks to the present.
- Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.
- 20865 PHL 123-D, CS: The Examined Life 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)**
Prof. B. O'Sullivan
 An introductory examination of the history and nature of Western philosophical thought from the ancient Greeks to the present.
- Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.
- 20286 POL171-A, CS: Power, Order and Justice 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)**
20286 POL171-B, CS: Power, Order and Justice 3 credits (Cornerstone Seminar)
Prof. B. Scholz
 The dilemmas facing all governments: On what principles should the political order be based? What is the nature of the just state? What determines citizenship, political authority and power? What is the good life, and how is it related to the political order; and the satisfaction of justice?
- Fulfills the First-Year Seminar and Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.