### Fall 2023 Philosophy Cornerstone Course Descriptions

### 20485 PHL 100-A, COR: The Examined Life 20486

# PHL 100-B, COR: The Examined Life

Prof. R. Capobianco

An introductory examination of the history and nature of Western philosophical thought from the ancient Greeks to the present.

Fulfills the Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.

### 20490 PHL 100-C, COR: Honors: Questions of Culture and Value

### 20491 PHL 100-D, COR: Questions of Culture and Value

### 20492 PHL 100-E, COR: Questions of Culture and Value

### Prof. J. Velazguez

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?

Section A is only open to Honors Scholars. All sections fulfill the Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.

### 20494 PHL 100-F, COR: Mind, Body, Self, Science

### 20495 PHL 100-G, COR: Mind, Body, Self, Science

## Prof. C. Mekios

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?

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#### 20501 PHL 100-J, COR: The Examined Life

- 20502 PHL 100-K, COR: The Examined Life
- 20503 PHL 100-L, COR: The Examined Life
- 20504 PHL 100-M, COR: The Examined Life
- 20505 PHL 100-N, COR: The Examined Life

### 20506 PHL 100-O, COR: The Examined Life

Prof. TBA

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### 20488 PHL 114-A, CS: Our Bodies, Ourselves Prof. M. Mitchell

This course explores some of the questions that are raised by recognizing that we are not just minds— we are embodied creatures. How should we organize society to provide for our bodily needs? Should we worry about the death of our bodies? Are our minds and our bodies really different?

Open to First-Year students. Fulfills the Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.

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### 20497 PHL 121-A, CS: Honors: Philosophy as a Way of Life

### 20498 PHL 121-B, CS: Philosophy as a Way of Life

### Prof. E. McGushin

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.

Section A is only open to Honors Scholars. Both sections are open to First Year students and fulfill the Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.

## 20500 PHL 123-A, CS: The Examined Life

### Prof. B. O'Sullivan

An introductory examination of the history and nature of Western philosophical thought from the ancient Greeks to the present.

Open to First-Year students. Fulfills the Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.

## 20054 POL171-A, COR: Power, Order and Justice

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### 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 Philosophy Cornerstone requirement.