

## Brief Course Outline

**Course Title:** Reason and Revelation

**Course Number and Section:**

GGB

3003F 550

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### Course Description:

Reading texts from around the world, students will investigate the nature of reason and that of faith, as well as their relationship to one another. Can faith be rational? Does reason supersede the need for faith?

### Learning Outcomes:

Students will explore ideas about the human condition.

Students will seek to understand the historical and cultural context of ideas.

Students will analyze and articulate their own beliefs and preconceptions.

Students will improve their ability to understand and engage with philosophical arguments.

Students will increase their skills in literary analysis.

Students will gain familiarity with works from a variety of global traditions.

Students will hone their ability to write clearly and argue convincingly.

### Textbooks and Course Materials:

- Plato, Republic (Hackett Classics 2004)
- Farid Ud-Din Attar, The Conference of the Birds (Penguin Classics)
- Yevgeny Zamyatin, We (Modern Library)
- Mikhail Bulgakov, The Master and Margarita (Vintage)
- Shusaku Endo, Silence (Picador Modern Classics)
- Søren Kierkegaard, Fear and Trembling and The Sickness unto Death (Princeton University Press)

All other readings will be provided on our OWL website.

## Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Preparation and participation		25%
Short writing assignment	10/04/24	20%
Annotated bibliography	11/01/24	15%
Major essay	11/30/24	25%
Teaching plan	12/06/24	15%

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.

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