

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: Cultures, Values and Human Rights

Course Number and Section:

PHILOSOP

2812F 550

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Course Description:

An introduction to problems in political philosophy linking cultural diversity and moral relativism. The course will focus on the question of whether there might be a set of universal human rights, or whether that idea involves cultural imperialism. Multiculturalism within a single state will also be considered.

Learning Outcomes:

1. Describe philosophical theories justifying human rights.
2. Discuss competing points of view on issues in philosophy of human rights.
3. Evaluate conflicting philosophical arguments related to these issues.
4. Formulate well-reasoned solutions to philosophical problems.
5. Persuade others of a well-reasoned stance or action.
6. Demonstrate skillful critical and reflective thinking.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

The Philosophy of Human Rights, Haden, Patrick, Paragon House (2001). Paperback available from Western's Bookstore.

Methods Of Evaluation:

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Attendance	12/06/24	10
Midterm #1	10/05/24	25
Midterm #2	11/09/24	30
Final Exam	TBA	35

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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