

Department: Philosophy

Course number: PHIL 224W

Title: Nineteenth Century Philosophy

Credits: 3

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Either Semester. Three Credits. Prerequisite: At least one of PHIL 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106; ENGL 105 or 110 or 111 or 250. Open to sophomores or higher. Anderson

Readings from philosophers such as Kant, Hegel, Marx and Engels, Bentham, Mill, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, and Kierkegaard; Topics such as the debate between Individualism and Collectivism in the Nineteenth Century.

W Criteria: -1. In this course (capped at 19), students will show that they have understood, and can critically evaluate, the material discussed by writing 3 or 4 papers from at least 3 different sections of the course. The numbers of pages for these papers must total at least 15 pages. After comments have been given, students must rewrite the papers. The 3, or best 3 of 4, papers will count 3/4 of the total grade for the course, the remaining 1/4 being the essay final exam, with questions given out in advance and students being allowed to bring in outlines of the essays they wish to write so that they, too, will be well-written.

2. and 3. Some time will be spent in class talking about how to write a good philosophy paper. All students must have at least one initial conference with the instructor about their writing, after the first paper is handed in, with further conferences encouraged. Written comments will be given on the first drafts of the papers and the drafts must be attached to revisions so that the instructor can determine whether defects have been addressed. Students with serious writing problems will be told that they must also visit the Writing Center and have their papers signed by someone in the Center to prove that they have received help.

Role of Grad Students: - N/A