

PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

PHIL-374 Environmental Philosophy 4 Credits

Prerequisites: LA-201 or LS-201

This course introduces students to philosophical questions about the environment and peoples' relations to it. Topics include how far "sustainable" practices can go towards protecting the environment, the philosophical underpinnings of U. S. environmental laws, the different kinds of environmental racism found today, and the philosophical questions raised by human-caused climate change: who, for instance, is responsible for climate change and what actions ought to be taken in light of it? In considering these questions, students will learn to analyze the philosophical complexities of environmental issues and sharpen their logical reasoning.

Lecture: 4, Lab 0, Other 0

PHIL-378 Moral and Ethical Philosophy 4 Credits

Prerequisites: LA-201 or LS-201

Minimum Class Standing: Sophomore

A concentrated study of the origin and nature of standards of character (ethics) and behavior (morality). The history of these concepts will be explored through reading some of the standard philosophical literature. Attention will be given to the difficulties such concepts face in a world now defined by modern ideologies and institutions.

Lecture: 4, Lab 0, Other 0

PHIL-391 Philosophy Special Topics 4 Credits

Prerequisites: LA-201 or LS-201

An interdisciplinary advanced course focusing on a specific topic. This course is a one-time offering whose content is determined by current faculty interest, and provides a comprehensive and coherent examination of the chosen topic. This course may be repeated for credit under different topic

Lecture: 4, Lab 0, Other 0