

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Philosophy Goes to the Movies

Course Abbreviation and Number: PHL 1200

Credit Hours: 2

Course Type: Lecture

Course Description: Students will learn about some of the major ideas in philosophy and philosophical thought via the media of film.

No requisites.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Discuss some of the major questions of philosophy in relation to the world about them and the media of film.
2. Critically interpret themes from their readings, discussions, and viewings.
3. Explain some of the connections between the topic of the class and the modern world.

Topics Covered:

- Definition of philosophy
- How philosophy impacts our lives
- Major questions in philosophy
 - What is real?
 - What is the good life?
 - Does evil exist?
 - How does one know right from wrong?
 - How should one live?
 - Are we free or determined?

Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - [Civility Statement](#)
 - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
 - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)

- [Accessibility Services](#)

Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.

- [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
- [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)

- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2021