

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Philosophy of Religion

Course Abbreviation and Number: PHL 2550

Credit Hours: 3

Course Type: Lecture

Course Description: Students will acquire an understanding of basic problems concerning the existence and nature of the divine. Students will also identify different perspectives on the nature of religious experience and its relationship to other areas of philosophy such as ethics and political philosophy.

Prerequisite: ENG 1530.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Discuss specific notions of the Divine from a variety of religious, philosophical outlooks.
 2. List and describe a variety of philosophers and philosophical beliefs from a variety of philosophies and contexts.
 3. Compare and contrast basic cosmological theories.
 4. List and describe a variety of different religious philosophical views on the intervention of the Divine.
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Topics Covered:

- Montheism, Pantheism, etc. (different ways of classifying the Divine)
 - Faith and Reason
 - Divine Attributes of God
 - Proofs for the Existence of God
 - Teleological arguments
 - Ontological arguments
 - Miracles, Prayer, and Divine intervention philosophies
 - Life after Death
 - Compatibility of Religion and Sciences
 - Relationship of Church and State
 - Religion and Ethics
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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.
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Effective Date: Fall 2021