**TED University**

**PHIL 104 Philosophy and Ethics**

**SYLLABUS** Section 1, 2

Prof. Dr. Ahmet Inam 2018 Fall Semester

## Course Description

The concept of Philosophy, Why is Philosophy so important? Logical Reasoning, Moral Philosophy, Why study ethics? Cultural Relativism, Subjectivism, Supernaturalism, Intuitionism, Emotivism, Prescriptivism, Consistency, Moral Rationality, Consequentialism, Nonconsequentialism, Virtue, Natural Law

## Credits

3 TEDU Credits, 5.0 ECTS Credit

## Pre-requisites

None.

## Course Objectives

The course aims to teach the students the fundamental concepts of philosophy and ethics. It covers many of the basic metaethical and normative views. It relates these to practical issues especially racism, moral education, and abortion. It discusses several practical methods for thinking about philosophical and moral issues.

**Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to

1. Be acquainted with the issues and controversies of contemporary moral philosophy
2. Think critically on philosophical and moral issues
3. Understand and discuss the problems regarding how to form our moral beliefs in the wisest and most rational way.

**Instructor:**

Prof. Dr. Ahmet Inam

**Required Text Book:**

Gensler, Harry J., *Ethics: A Contemporary Introduction*, London: Routledge, 2011

**Supplementary Text Book**:

Gensler, H., E. Spurgin, and J. Swindal (eds) *Ethics: Contemporary Readings*, London: Routledge, 2004

**Course Schedule:**

| Section 01 | Section 02 |
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| K085/ **Tu** : 15:00 - 17:50 | K085/ **We** : 10:00 - 12:50 |

**Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:**

Dialogue

Questioning

Reading

Discussing

Collaborative Learning

**Grading:**

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| Midterm Exam: | 30% |
| Final Exam | 60% |
| Contribution to Discussions | 10% |

For those who want to improve their grades can submit an assignment given by the instructor!

**Attendance is not compulsory in this course.**

**Estimated Student Workload:**

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| Lectures | 42 Hours |
| Readings | 14 Hours |
| Midterm Exam | 12 Hours |
| Final Exam | 18 Hours |

Total estimated workload is 86 hours.

**Tentative Course Outline:**

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| First Week: | Introduction | General Introduction to Philosophy and Ethics |
| Second Week: | Chapter 1 | Cultural Relativism |
| Third Week: | Chapter 2 | Subjectivism |
| Fourth Week: | Chapter 3 | Supernaturalism |
| Fifth Week: | Chapters 4-5 | Intuitionism-Emotivism |
| Sixth Week: | Chapter 6-7 | Prescriptivism-Consistency |
| Seventh Week: | Chapter 8 | The Golden Rule |
| Eighth Week: | Review of previous chapters | |
| Ninth Week: | **Midterm Exam** | |
| Tenth Week | Chapter 9 | Moral Rationality |
| Eleventh Week: | Chapters 10-11 | Consequentialism and Nonconsequentialism |
| Twelfth Week: | Chapter 12 | Virtue |
| Thirteenth Week: | Chapter 13 | Natural Law |
| Fourteenth Week: | Chapter 14 | Synthesis of Previous Discussions |
| Last two Weeks: | **Final Exam** | |