

PHI 550 FIRST YEAR PHILOSOPHY GRADUATE SEMINAR

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Office hours: By appointment

Fall Semester 2023

SCHEDULE

Tuesday 5 September 2023

Humberstone "Wanting, Getting, Having" (1990)

Tuesday 12 September 2023

Davidson "Actions, Reasons, and Causes" (1963) and "Agency" (1971)

Tuesday 19 September 2023

Stocker "Desiring the Bad" (1979) and Hursthouse "Arational Actions" (1991)

Tuesday 26 September 2023

Frankfurt "Freedom of the Will and the Concept of a Person" (1971)

Tuesday 3 October 2023

Gary Watson "Free Agency" (1975)

Tuesday 10 October 2023

Scanlon "Reasons" (1998)

MIDTERM BREAK

Tuesday 24 October 2023

Cocking and Kennett "Friendship and Moral Danger" (2000)

Tuesday 31 October 2023

Korsgaard "Two Distinctions in Goodness" (1983)

Tuesday 7 November 2023

Langton "Duty and Desolation" (1992))

Tuesday 14 November 2023

Nagel "Concealment and Exposure" (1998))

Tuesday 28 November 2023

Calhoun "Civility" (2000)

Tuesday 5 December 2023

Anscombe "Modern Moral Philosophy" (1958)

WEEKLY TASKS

(i) Read the assigned material; (ii) formulate a question about the argument or the conclusion; (iii) come to class willing and able to ask your question and lead the discussion if asked to do so; and (iv) write and email me a short (no more than 750 words) paper focused on some aspect of the reading.