

Philosophy 156
Contemporary Analytic Philosophy
Fall, 2005

Lecture: 1 Wellman, MWF 1:10-2:00
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Texts: Course reader
 On-line materials

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Topic: An historical introduction to analytic philosophy. Readings will be taken from classic works of analytic philosophy, from Moore and Russell to the late twentieth century. Particular attention will be paid to the question of whether there are any defining features that make philosophy “analytic.” We will take a close look at some characteristic techniques of analytic philosophy. Some criticisms of the analytic approach to philosophy will also be discussed.

Schedule

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
3 Philosophical Analysis (SL)	2 Carnap, <i>ESO</i>	2 Lewis, <i>PW</i>
5 Bradley (OL)	4 Goodman, <i>NRI</i>	5 Kim, <i>CS</i>
7 Russell, <i>PM</i> (OL)	7 Popper, <i>CR</i>	7 Derrida, <i>SEC</i> (OL)
10 Russell, <i>OD</i> (OL)	9 Chisholm <i>PA</i>	9 Rorty, <i>APTP</i> (OL)
12 Moore, <i>EIR</i> (OL)	11 NO CLASS	
14 Wittgenstein, <i>TLP</i>	14 MIDTERM	
17 Wittgenstein, <i>TLP, PI</i>	16 Gettier, <i>JTB</i> , Quine, <i>EN</i>	
19 Wittgenstein, <i>PI</i>	18 Kripke, <i>NN</i>	
21 Ryle, <i>SME</i>	21 Kripke, <i>NN</i>	
24 Austin, <i>OM</i>	23 Putnam, <i>MM</i>	
26 Schlick, <i>MV</i>	25 NO CLASS	15 FINAL EXAM
28 Quine, <i>TDE</i>	28 Putnam, <i>MM</i>	4:00-6:00
31 Quine, <i>OWTI</i>	30 Lewis, <i>PW</i>	

Grades will be based on the following: a final examination (40%), and a term paper (30%). The midterm and final will be in-class, with essay questions. The term paper will be on an assigned topic. It is due December 9, the last day of classes. The midterm and final examination must be taken at the scheduled time, unless prior authorization is given. Papers submitted late without authorization will be penalized one grade quantum per day late. No papers may be submitted after the final examination. **The midterm, final, and the term paper must be completed in order for the course to be passed.**