

Philosophy 156
Contemporary Analytic Philosophy

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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 present. Particular attention will be paid to the question of whether there are any defining features that make a philosophical work “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 Quine, <i>TDE</i>	2 Putnam, <i>MM</i>
5 Bradley (OL)	4 Quine, <i>OWTI</i>	5 Putnam, <i>MM</i> , Lewis, <i>PW</i>
7 Russell, <i>PM</i> (OL)	7 Carnap, <i>ESO</i>	7 Lewis, <i>PW</i>
10 Russell, <i>PM</i> , <i>OD</i>	9 Goodman, <i>NRI</i>	9 Rorty, <i>APTP</i> (OL)
12 Russell, <i>OD</i> (OL)	11 NO CLASS	
14 Moore, <i>EIR</i> (OL)	14 MIDTERM	
17 Wittgenstein, <i>TLP</i>	16 Gettier, <i>JTB</i> , Quine, <i>EN</i>	
19 Wittgenstein, <i>TLP</i> , <i>PI</i>	18 Quine, <i>EN</i>	
21 Wittgenstein, <i>PI</i>	21 Kripke, <i>NN</i>	
24 Ryle, <i>SME</i>	23 Kripke, <i>NN</i>	
26 Ryle, Austin, <i>OM</i>	25 NO CLASS	15 FINAL EXAM
28 Austin, Schlick, <i>MV</i>	28 Kripke, <i>NN</i>	4:00-6:00
31 Schlick	30 Putnam, <i>MM</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. Details on the term paper will be decided in class. 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 working day late. No papers may be submitted after the final examination. **The midterm, final, and term paper must be completed in order for the course to be passed.**