

FREEDOM FROM THE PRACTICAL STANDPOINT

Philosophy 174/274

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Lecture Room: Building 60-62P
Office hour: W 2:00-3:00pm
and by appointment

REQUIRED TEXTS

FW G. Watson (ed.) *Free Will*. Oxford University Press, 2003, **2nd edition**

See Syllabus for extra required readings

Supplementary Readings will be made available through Coursework

N.B. You are required to read the assigned texts *before* the lecture

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ON LINE RESOURCES

Make sure to check <http://www.uwm.edu/~ferrero/phil-links-ferrero.htm> for
Study Aid and On-line Resources in Philosophy

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SCHEDULE OF TOPICS AND READINGS

Date	Lecture	Topic	Readings and Assignments
09/26	I	Introduction	
09/28	II	The Free Will Debate	Watson, Introduction to <i>FW</i>
10/03	III	Classical Compatibilism	Smart, <i>FW</i> 3
10/05	IV	The Consequence Argument	van Inwagen, <i>FW</i> 2 FIRST OUTLINE DUE (it must be on <i>FW</i> 2)
10/10	V	Libertarianism	Wiggins, <i>FW</i> 4
10/12	VI	Agent Causation 1	Chisholm, <i>FW</i> 1
10/17	VII	Agent Causation 2	O'Connor, <i>FW</i> 13 Clarke, <i>FW</i> 14 SECOND OUTLINE DUE (<i>FW</i> 1, <i>FW</i> 4, <i>FW</i> 13, or <i>FW</i> 14)
10/19	VIII	Free Will and Indeterminism	Kane, <i>FW</i> 15
10/24	IX	Reactive Attitudes	P. Strawson, <i>FW</i> 4 THIRD OUTLINE DUE (It must be on <i>FW</i> 4) Topics of first paper distributed
10/26	X	Skepticism	G. Strawson, <i>FW</i> 11
10/31	XI	Revisionism	Nagel, <i>FW</i> 18 FIRST PAPER DUE
11/02	XII	Freedom and Practical Reason 1	Bok, <i>FW</i> 17
11/07	XIII	Freedom and Practical Reason 2	TBA

11/09	XIV	Freedom and Alternate Possibilities 1	Frankfurt, FW 8 FOURTH OUTLINE DUE (FW11, FW 18, FW 17, or FW 8)
11/14	XV	Freedom and Alternate Possibilities 2	Widerker, FW 9 Fischer FW 10
11/16	XVI	Hierarchical Theories 1	Frankfurt, FW 16
11/21	--- Happy Thanksgiving ---		
11/23			
11/28	XVII	Hierarchical Theories 2	Watson, FW 17 FIFTH OUTLINE DUE (either FW 16 or FW 17) Topics of second paper distributed
11/30	XVIII	Freedom and Sanity	Wolf, FW 19
12/5	XIX	Freedom and Addiction	Wallace, FW 22
12/7	XX	Conclusion	Albritton, FW 21 SECOND PAPER DUE

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ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING POLICY

UNDERGRADUATES

5 Outlines (300-500 words each)	15%
First Paper (1500-2100 words / approximately 5-7 pages)	35%
Second Paper (1800-2400 words / approximately 6-8 pages)	40%
Class participation	10%

No incompletes will be granted, but for documented medical or family emergencies

GRADUATE STUDENTS

[additional reading requirements and writing assignments to be announced in class]

- Attendance to lectures and sections is expected
- Papers and outlines **MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THE BEGINNING OF CLASS BY THE DEADLINES** indicated above.
No late papers or outlines will be accepted, but for documented medical or family emergencies.
- In order to pass this course you **MUST COMPLETE ALL** assignments.

click [here](#) to see the **GRADING GUIDELINES**

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