**Fall 2022 Calendar – PHI 2010**

(To fit the pace of the term and to account for unexpected events, some dates and topics are subject to change.)

**Week 1 Aug 22-28th**

Mon - Introduction to class, “What is Philosophy?” /

Wed - **Ch. 1** **Thinking Philosophically**– Critical Thinking, The Examined Life: Socrates and the Socratic Method

**Week 2 Aug 29-Sept 4th**

Mon - **Ch. 4 Mind and Body** – Dualism: Plato and René Descartes /

Wed - Identity theory: JJC Smart, responses by David Chalmers and Thomas Nagel

**Week 3 Sept 5-11th**

Labor Day Sept 5th /

The Knowledge Argument: Thomas Nagel and Frank Jackson

**Week 4 Sept 12-18th**

The mind as software / Functionalism

Response by John Searle: Artificial intelligence and "The Chinese Room" argument

**Test #1 opened; paper #1 due Sept 18th, Topic: Mind**

**Week 5 Sept 19-25th**

 Ch. 5 Free Will / Baron d’Holbach and Determinism

Compatibilism with W.T. Stace (textbook) and Daniel Dennett (not in textbook see Canvas)

**Week 6 Sept 26-Oct 2nd**

Indeterminism and William James (see textbook and Canvas)

Existentialism and free will, Jean-Paul Sartre

**Week 7 Oct 3-9th**

Feminist accounts of Free Will with Jean Grimshaw, Marilyn Frye (see Canvas)

**Test #2 opened, paper #2 due Oct. 9th**, Topic: Free Will

**Ch. 6** **Knowledge, Skepticism and Reality**: Metaphysical Dualism - Plato and the Forms

**Week 8 Oct 10-16th**

 Rationalism and Skepticism with René Descartes

Empiricism with John Locke, counterpoint by Gottfried Leibniz

**Week 9 Oct 17-23rd**

George Berkeley and Subjective Idealism

Immanuel Kant and Transcendental Idealism / **Test #3 opened, paper #3 due Oct. 25th,**Topic: Metaphysics

**Week 10 Oct 24-30th**

**Ch. 7 Aesthetics**: What is art?

Nov 11th – Ancient perspectives – Plato and Aristotle

**Week 11 Oct 31-6th**

Enlightenment era perspectives, David Hume and Immanuel Kant

Contemporary views on art, expression, music and film

**Week 12 Nov 7-14th**

**Ch. 8 Justice and Political Philosophy:** Introduction / **paper #4 due Nov. 14th**, Topic: Aesthetics

The Just Society: Plato

**Week 13 Nov 15-21st**

The Social Contract: Thomas Hobbes and John Locke/Jefferson

John Rawls and a modern theory of justice

**Week 14 Nov 22-28th**

Karl Marx/Socialism and Communism vs. Capitalism

Thanksgiving Nov 24-28th

**Week 15 Nov 29- Dec 5th**

Contemporary analysis of social and political justice in the 21st century

**Week 16 Dec 6-12th**

**Finals week**

Final Exam**; optional paper 5 due Dec 10th;**Topic: Social/Political Justice