Course # PHIL 111 Introduction to Philosophy Scheduled hours per week

Lecture: 3 Lab: 0

Catalog Course Description: A general introduction survey course which introduces the core questions, topics and issues in philosophy. The focus will include and interdisciplinary study of philosophy, including the philosophy of science, mathematics and religion. Other topics surveyed include theories of truth, identity, epistemology, mind-body metaphysics, history and meaning, morality, immortality and the philosophy of God/religion.

Pre-requisites: N/A Co-requisites: N/A

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO):

- Examine historical topics of philosophical discourse so the student will be able to identify these topics.
- Employ the logical and critical thinking methods and evidentiary criteria of philosophy to determine and critique the ways through which philosophers address basic philosophical questions and related issues.
- Articulate the methods of philosophical discourse by learning the language, related concepts, and historical figures of Western philosophy.
- Distinguish and analyze the basic issues of the major subfields of philosophy, primarily those epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics.
- Represent one's stance on an issue with meaningful, original insights based on historical and philosophical considerations.

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CLO Assessment Methods:

Direct: Quizzes, Discussion, Thought Experiments, and Case Reflections

Topics to be studied:

- What Is Philosophy?
- What Is Permanent in Existence?
- What Is the Nature of Change?
- How Do We Know Anything?
- What Is Knowledge?
- Is There a Soul? Are humans merely bodies?
- Do Rational Things Exist?
- What Is Freedom?
- What Is Faith?
- What Is Evil?
- Does God exist? Is there a God?
- What Is Identity?
- What Is Doubt?

Relationship of Course to Program Learning Outcomes (PLO) or Institutional Learning Outcomes:

Check if approved as:
☐ Foundational Learning Course ☐ Reinforcement Learning Course

Special requirements of the course:

N/A

Additional information:

N/A

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