
COURSE PREFIX/NO.: PHI 110
COURSE TITLE: Ethics
LEC HRS/WEEK: 3.0
LAB HRS/WEEK: 0.0
CREDIT HOURS/SEMESTER: 3.0

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is a study of the moral principles of conduct emphasizing ethical problems and modes of ethical reasoning.

COURSE COMPETENCIES

1. Define the study of ethics, its place in philosophy and its goals.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of ethics and morality.
3. Recognize and articulate the distinct and specific areas of ethics and how they relate to each other.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of the arguments of the major philosophical applications thinkers discussed within the course.
5. Recognize the relationship between historical arguments and contemporary philosophical applications.
6. Demonstrate competency in critical thinking.
7. Demonstrate proficiency in critical reading comprehension and critical discussion.
8. Achieve increased skill in oral articulating and arguing a philosophical position.
9. Develop and defend one's own unique philosophical view.
10. Recognize and appreciate the various philosophical views and opinions of classmates.

Evaluation Procedure

In order to measure all competencies for this course, the instructor will use quantitative measurement tools that will include, but are not limited to, a minimum of three tests (i.e., essay, multiple choice, short answer questions, matching, etc.). In addition, other measurement tools (i.e., formal paper, reaction paper, presentation, book review, group assignment, homework, participation, etc.) will be used. At the instructor's discretion, other grading strategies (i.e., attendance, pop quizzes, etc.) can be included in the calculation of the final grade. The following grading format exists for this class:

Assessment Tool Value

Test	60 – 80%
Paper and/or Presentation	20 – 30 %
Participation	0 – 10 %

Grading

See York Technical College Handbook and Catalog for explanation of College's grading system. For this course, grading will be determined in the following manner:

90 – 100	A
80 – 89	B
70 – 79	C
60 – 69	D
50 or less	F

MINIMAL STANDARDS

In order to receive the minimal passing grade in this course, the student must perform at the 60 percent level of accuracy on all examinations and required supplementary assignments. A student's grade will be based on the following performance criteria:

1. The ability to complete and submit all written assignments by specified deadlines.
2. The ability to follow instructions and uphold standards established by the instructor when completing all written assignments, projects, tests, and other course requirements.
3. The ability to demonstrate knowledge of proper spelling, grammar, and composition when completing formal assignments and evaluation instruments.
4. The ability to demonstrate an acceptable level of performance of course competencies as identified in program requirements.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Attendance Policy

The students are required to attend this course on those days and hours specified by the current school schedule. Students who are absent 10 percent of the specified contact hours may be automatically withdrawn from the course.

Withdrawal from a Course

The student should contact the instructor to withdraw. A student may withdraw from a course after the add/drop period until mid-term with a grade of "W." In accordance with the College's grading policy, if the student withdraws from a course after mid-term, the grade of "W" or "WF" may be assigned as determined by the instructor for that course.

Make-Up Policy

If a student is absent from class for any reason, he/she is responsible for all work that was covered. It is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor and request make-up assignments. Permitting completion of work due to a pattern of unexpected absences or neglect will be based on the instructor's discretion.

Student Conduct

Students are requested to adhere to all conduct codes outlined in the York Technical College Handbook and Catalog. Students caught plagiarizing assignments will receive a grade of "0" on that particular assignment. Also, further disciplinary actions may be used.

ENTRY LEVEL SKILLS: Non-applicable

PREREQUISITES: ENG 100 or equivalent

CO-REQUISITES: None

Disabilities Statement: Any student who feels s/he may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the Special Resources Offices (SR) at 803-327-8007 in the 300 area of Student Services. The SRO coordinates reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities.

EFFECTIVE: FA2006

TOPIC/CONTENT OUTLINE

Module One

- What is Ethics?
- What is Morality?
- Deontological Ethics
- Teleological Ethics
- Moral Systems

Module Two

- Bioethics and Medical Ethics
- Business and Media Ethics
- Environmental Ethics

Module Three

- Contemporary Moral Issues
- Death and Dying Issues
- Lying, Cheating, Stealing
- Marriage and Human Sexuality