Phil 190: Hegel’s Logic
Winter, 2018

Tuesday and Thursday, 11:40am–1:15pm, Cowell Acad 216

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Course Requirements
Attendance and participation in seminar (10%); two short (2-3 page) response/analysis papers, due Thursday, February 8 and Tuesday, February 27 (15% each); take home final exam, due Wednesday, March 21 (60%); optionally, students may choose to write a final paper (approximately 10–15 pages) in place of the take home final, on a topic to be discussed in advance with the instructor. Exams and papers are due, as an attachment, via the “Assignments” tool on Canvas (preferably in PDF, MSWord, RTF, \LaTeX, or plain text; if you prefer another format, please let me know).

Texts

The above text should be available at the Literary Guillotine and on reserve at McHenry.
Readings

Tuesday, January 9: no required reading, first class; but recommended: Translators’ Introduction (by Geraets and Harris), pp. xiii–xxxi, and Suchting’s objections, pp. xxxii–xlviii (this is very entertaining, as well as informative — at least, if you’re as easily entertained as I am).


Tuesday, January 16: More Precise Conception and Division of the Logic (§§79–83), pp. 125–34.

The Doctrine of Being

Thursday, January 18: Intro. and Being (§§84–8), pp. 135–45.


Tuesday, January 30: Degree (§§103–6), pp. 163–9.


The Doctrine of Essence


Thursday, February 8: Existence and Thing (§§123-30), pp. 192–9. **First short paper due.**

Thursday, February 15: first part of Actuality (§§142–49), pp. 213–25.¹


The Doctrine of the Concept


Wednesday, March 21: take home final exam (or final paper) due.

¹Note it is not exactly clear that the end of this reading marks a natural stopping point in the text (the structure of the chapter on Actuality is confusing, as we will discuss).