Phil 190E: Hegel’s Logic

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Tues., 12–3pm, Oakes Acad. 103.
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Course Requirements

Attendance and participation in seminar (10%); two short (2-3 page) response/analysis papers (on a rotating basis, as we will discuss) (15% each); take home final exam, due Tues., Mar. 16 (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 by e-mail to the instructor (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 will be placed on reserve at McHenry.

Also on reserve at McHenry will be the longer Science of Logic and the other two parts of the Encyclopedia (the Philosophy of Nature and the Philosophy of Spirit). Be warned that the translations of these latter works are substandard (even by the low standards of philosophy translation).

Readings

Sep. 27: no required reading, first class; but recommended: Translators’ Introduction (by Geraets and Harris), pp. xiii–xxxii, 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).

Rockt. 4: Translators’ Preface, pp. vii-ix; start of the Preliminary Conception (§§19–25), without Additions (Zusätze), pp. 45–65; More Precise Conception and Division of the Logic (§§79–83), pp. 125–34.
The Doctrine of Being

The Doctrine of Essence

The Doctrine of the Concept
Dec. 6: take-home final (or optional paper) due.