

Phil 190R: Hegel's Logic

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Tues., 2–5pm, Hum. 1 400.

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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

G.W.F. Hegel, *The Encyclopaedia Logic*, tr. T.F. Geraets, W.A. Suchting, and H.S. Harris (Hackett) (ISBN: 0872200701).

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

Jan. 5: no required reading, first class; but recommended: Translators' Introduction (by Geraets and Harris), pp. xiii–xxxi, and Suchting's objections, pp. xxxii–xlvi (this is very entertaining, as well as informative — at least, if you're as easily entertained as I am).

Jan. 12: 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

Jan. 19: Intro. and Quality (§§84–98), pp. 135–57.

Jan. 26: Quantity and Measure (§§97–111), pp. 157–74.

The Doctrine of Essence

Feb. 2: Intro. and Essence as Ground of Existence (§§112–30), pp. 175–99.

Feb. 9: Appearance (§§131–41), pp. 199–213.

Feb. 16: Actuality (§§142–59), pp. 213–35.

The Doctrine of the Concept

Feb. 23: Intro. and The Subjective Concept through The Syllogism of Reflection, *except* the first three forms of judgment (§§160–71, 178–90), pp. 236–49 and 255–66.

Mar. 2: The Syllogism of Necessity (§§191–3) and The Object (§§194–212), pp. 266–286.

Mar. 9: The Idea (§§213–44), pp. 286–307.

Mar. 16: take-home final (or optional paper) due.