

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE  
DEPARTMENT OF ARTS, EDUCATION & COMMERCE

**COURSE:** PH 1010: INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY: Values and Society  
Fall 1996

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

An introduction to the classical problems of philosophy through study and critical discussion of selected philosophical classics and contemporary works. Emphasis will be placed on questions of moral and other values and on the nature of society and justice.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

1. Introduce students to some of the most important ideas underlying Western thought in the areas of ethics and of social and political philosophy;
2. Improve student's ability to read and write analytically;
3. Improve student's ability to present strong argument; and
4. Encourage student's interest in original and creative thought.

**TEXT:**

Sterba, J. Contemporary Social and Politic Thought, Wadsworth 1995  
Cragg, W. (ed.) Contemporary Moral Issues

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

Each student shall hand in four written assignments. Details and samples will be provided separately.

**GRADING CRITERIA**

1. Individual assignments will be marked on a 1 to 9 Stanine basis.
2. Course grades will be determined by averaging grades on each of the assignments.
3. Any student who is sincerely trying to do well on his or her assignments will be given rewrite opportunities.
4. Clarity of writing and quality of argumentation will determine grade level.

**SCHEDULE:**

Please refer to detailed Daily Schedule.