

PHENOMENOLOGY & EXISTENTIALISM

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OFFICE HOURS: Tues 10:00–noon

REQUIRED TEXTS (available at Book Culture, 536 W 112th St, just east of Broadway)

Dostoevsky, *The Grand Inquisitor* (Hackett)
Heidegger, *Being and Time* (Harper)
Kierkegaard, *The Sickness unto Death* (Penguin)
Sartre, *No Exist* (Samuel French)

ASSIGNMENTS

Four three-page papers (about 1,000 words), each counting for 20% of your grade. There will also be occasional (very easy) multiple-choice quizzes to check attendance and reading preparation, worth 20% of your grade.

ATTENDANCE

Regular, punctual attendance is a requirement for this course. Except in cases of illness or emergency, your grade will go down if you miss more than three class sessions without arranging the absence with me in advance.

16 JAN *Introductory Remarks*

I. KIERKEGAARD & DOSTOEVSKY

18 JAN Kierkegaard, *The Sickness unto Death*, Preface, Introduction, Part One (35–58)

23 JAN *Sickness unto Death*, Part One (59–79)

25 JAN *Sickness unto Death*, Part One (80–105)

30 JAN *Sickness unto Death*, Part Two (109–37)

1 FEB *Sickness unto Death*, Part Two (138–65)

 1st paper due Friday, 2 February

6 FEB Dostoevsky, *The Grand Inquisitor* (1–37)

8 FEB *Grand Inquisitor* (39–80)

II. HEIDEGGER

- 13 FEB Heidegger, *Being and Time*, **DIV I**, Ch 1: §§9, 12–13 (*SZ* 41–5, 52–62)
15 FEB *Being and Time*, Ch 4: §§25–27 (*SZ* 113–30)
20 FEB *Being and Time*, Ch 5: §§28–30 (*SZ* 130–42)
22 FEB *Being and Time*, Ch 5: §§31–32 (*SZ* 142–53)
27 FEB *Being and Time*, Ch 5: §§33–34 (*SZ* 153–67)
1 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 5: §§35–38 (*SZ* 167–80)

☞ 2nd paper due Friday, 2 March

- 6 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 6: §§39–42 (*SZ* 180–200)
8 MAR *Being and Time*, **DIV II**, Ch 1: §§45–9 (*SZ* 231–49)

Spring Break

- 20 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 1: §§50–53 (*SZ* 249–67)
22 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 2: §§54–57 (*SZ* 267–80)
27 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 2: §§58–60 (*SZ* 280–301)
29 MAR *Being and Time*, Ch 3: §§61–63 (*SZ* 301–16)
3 APR *Being and Time*, Ch 3: §§64–66 (*SZ* 316–33)
5 APR *Being and Time*, Ch 4: §§67–69a (334–56)

☞ 3rd paper due Friday, 6 April

- 10 APR *Being and Time*, Ch 4: §§69b–71 (356–72)
12 APR Beckett, *Krapp's Last Tape*

III. SARTRE & MERLEAU-PONTY

- 17 APR Sartre, *Being and Nothingness*, Bad Faith (70–94)
19 APR *Being and Nothingness*, The Existence of Others: The Look (245–7, 276–89, 310–15)
24 APR *No Exit*
26 APR Merleau-Ponty, *Phenomenology of Perception*, Others and the Human World (361–83)

☞ 4th paper due TBA