We acknowledge and respect the Lək̓ʷəŋən (Songhees and Xʷsepsəm/Esquimalt) Peoples on whose territory the university stands, and the Lək̓ʷəŋən and W̱SÁNEĆ Peoples whose historical relationships with the land continue to this day.

Metaphysics

PHIL 352 (A01)

Metaphysics concerns the nature of reality. This intermediate course surveys: space, properties, existence, cause, possibility, objects, persistence, and time.

OUTCOMES	Improve philosophical skills (RUBRIC) with training on current metaphysical topics. ↳ Fulfills unit requirement for the Philosophy Major Program.
PREREQUISITES	None.
INSTRUCTION	Wednesday 2:30-5:20PM CLE C115 **FACE-TO-FACE**
INSTRUCTOR	Professor Mike Raven (raven@uvic.ca | raven.site) **OFFICE HOURS** | Wednesday 12:30-2:00PM CLE B323 (or by appointment)
LMS	bright.uvic.ca/d2l/home/498425 (Consult for updates and current course documents.)
TEXTS	**REQUIRED** ✦ Kim, Korman, & Sosa (eds.), *Metaphysics (2nd ed.)* **REQUIRED** ✦ Kripke, *Naming and Necessity (50th anniversary edition)* *OPTIONAL* ○ Conee & Sider, *Riddles of Existence* (new edition)

EVALUATION

GRADES Completing all assignments completes the course (else a failing N course grade). Grades earned are assessed for craftsmanship (RUBRIC) and are not official until approved by the Chair, Director, or designate.

%	ASSIGNMENT	MODE	COMPLETION	GRACE
1	Integrity in Practice		Submission	×
50	Essays		Submission	★
33	☑ Checkpoints		Submitting any	×
16	Engagement		Submitting 6 posts/6 replies	×

GRACE POINTS A **grace point** delays the due date of an eligible (★) assignment by 24 hours. Each student begins with 5 grace points usable at will without justification (but not reusable or tradable). To use, state the number used on your submitted work.

LATENESS -5% each day late for up to 5 days, after which the assignment becomes pass/fail.

POLICIES

RESPECT	Enrolling binds you to a social contract to foster a good learning environment. Use devices only for class purposes. No guests without instructor's permission.
PREPARE	Know course documents. Read required texts *before* class. Allow time for email replies.
DATES	Be aware of important dates. Consult LMS and calendar (for last add/drop dates).
ENGAGE	Class attendance is expected. Use office hours and tutorials.
INTEGRITY	Know UVic's academic integrity policies. Complete Integrity in Practice.
AI	AI deprives students of opportunities to train and display their philosophical skills. Its use is prohibited for all assignments, and is discouraged in general.
PLANS	Academic concessions and accommodations of religious observance are only by official request. Inform instructor of CAL plans (these are not blanket extensions and do not replace grace points, concessions, or other accommodations).
PRIVACY	Classes are not recorded/streamed. No unauthorized recording/streaming.
COPYRIGHT	Course content/materials are protected by copyright law.
RESOURCES	Learn Anywhere | Student Wellness | Ombudsperson | Equity | IACE | Discrimination and Harassment Prevention and Response | Sexualized Violence Resource Office

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SCHEDULE

DATE	DUE	MODE	READINGS
			Persistence, Time, Space
JAN 6	☑01		+ Lewis, "The Problem of Temporary Intrinsics" **[M37]** + Haslanger, "Endurance and Temporary Intrinsics" **[M38]**
JAN 13	☑02		+ Hinchliff, "The Puzzle of Change" + Hawley, "Metaphysics and Relativity"
JAN 20	☑03		+ Dasgupta, "Substantivalism vs. Relationalism About Space in Classical Physics" **601-613** + Black, "The Identity of Indiscernibles" **[M8]**
			Properties ○ Conee & Sider, "Universals"
JAN 27	☑04		+ Armstrong, "Universals as Attributes" **[M24] §§1-3** + Campbell, "The Metaphysic of Abstract Particulars" **[M22] §§1-5,7-8**
FEB 3	☑05		+ Armstrong, "Universals as Attributes" **[M24] §§4-8** + Lewis, "New Work for a Theory of Universals" **[M23] to 314** (to 355)
FEB 10	☑06		+ Quine, "On What There Is" **[M1]** + Campbell, "The Metaphysic of Abstract Particulars" **[M22] §6** + Lewis, "A Philosopher's Paradise" **[M16] 218**
FEB 23			
			Cause ○ Conee & Sider, "Possibility & Necessity" **183-192**
FEB 24	☑07		+ Anscombe, "Causality and Determination" **[M28] §I**
MAR 3	☑08		+ Lewis, "A Philosopher's Paradise" **[M16] §1.3** + Lewis, "Causation" **[M29]**
			Modality ○ Conee & Sider, "Possibility & Necessity" **192-198**
MAR 10	☑09		+ Sider, "Reductive Theories of Modality" **§§1-3.6** + Lewis, "A Philosopher's Paradise" **[M16] §§1.1,1.6-1.9** + Kripke, *Naming and Necessity* **34-39**
MAR 17	☑10		+ Sider, "Reductive Theories of Modality" **§§3.5,3.10** + Lewis, "A Philosopher's Paradise" **[M16] §1.2 up to p.214** + Kripke, *Naming and Necessity* **40-53**
			Identity ○ Conee & Sider, "Constitution"
MAR 24	☑11		+ Kripke, *Naming and Necessity* **97-105** + Gibbard, "Contingent Identity" **[M11] §§I-V**
MAR 31	☑12		+ Baker, "Why Constitution is not Identity" **§§I-IV** + Fine, "A Counter-Example to Locke's Thesis"
APR 7	☑13		+ Ritchie, "The Metaphysics of Social Groups" + Fine, "The Identity of Social Groups"
APR 13			

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