Philosophy and Medicine: Logic and Critical Thinking

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Course Availability for SY 2015-2016: Block 10 ONLY

This is a two-week equivalent elective spread over one month. It must be taken with another two-week equivalent elective (including research options).

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Course Goal(s)

This course will focus on an introduction to informal logic and will review some key concepts in critical thinking. Topics will include:

- Identification of English language arguments
- Informal Fallacies
- Formal Fallacies
- Syllogistic Arguments
- Introduction to cognitive biases

We will use Introduction to Logic 14th ed. by Copi, Cohen, and McMahon as our main text and will work through the 1st third of the book.

Educational Objectives

By the end of this course, students will have gained:

1. An awareness and understanding of basic concepts in logic.
2. An improved ability to reason carefully and effectively.

Course Activities/Experience

In preparation for each class, students will read chapters in the required text and complete various exercises. Class meetings will consist of lecture and discussion about the assigned readings and exercises.

On Call Requirements

Student Performance & Assessment

Evaluation will be based upon attendance, homework, and quizzes.

Other Info

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