

Stanford | Continuing Studies

Course Title: Exploring Human Existence: Martin Heidegger's *Being and Time*

Course Code: PHI 123

Instructor Name: Frederick M. Dolan

Class Sessions and Recording

Meeting days and times: Wednesdays, 7:00 to 8:50pm PT

Meeting location: Meeting location: Online (Zoom link will be provided to enrolled students closer to start date)

Class sessions will be recorded.

Course recordings will be available for three weeks after the quarter ends.

How This Course Works

Class sessions will consist mostly of lectures by the instructor, with some time for student Q&A and discussion.

Assignments & Coursework

This course includes:

- Optional posts or discussions in Canvas for student interaction,
- Final paper assignment for students seeking a grade (1,000-word memorandum), with instructor feedback,
- Group office hours or individual meetings with the instructor. Details will be provided in class.

Grade Options and Requirements

- No Grade Requested (NGR)
 - This is the default option. No work will be required; no credit shall be received; no proof of attendance can be provided.
- Credit/No Credit (CR/NC)
 - Attend, or watch the recording of, at least 8 of 10 class sessions.

- Letter Grade (A, B, C, D, No Pass)
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 - Submit a 1000-word memorandum on a relevant topic.

**Please Note: If you require proof that you completed a Continuing Studies course for any reason (for example, employer reimbursement), you must choose either the Letter Grade or Credit/No Credit option. Courses taken for NGR will not appear on official transcripts or grade reports.*

Target Audience and Prerequisites

Anyone interested in the human condition generally, and more specifically in Heidegger and 20th century philosophy.

Learning Objectives

Students will be able to understand and evaluate the basic theses of Heidegger's *Being and Time*.

Textbooks/Required Materials

Martin Heidegger, *Being and Time*, trans. Macquarie and Robbins.
ISBN-10: 0061575593

Pre-class Assignment

Read pp. 21-64 from the required text.

Tentative Weekly Outline

Week One

The question of being
Being and Time (hereafter *BT*) pp. 21-64
§§1-8

Week Two

Being-in-the-world
BT pp. 19-35, 65-107, 114-122
§§9-16, §18

Week Three

Everydayness
BT pp. 135-168
§§22-27

Week Four

State-of-mind
BT pp. 169-182 (see also 389-396)
§§28-30

Week Five

Understanding
BT pp. 182-203
§§31-33

Week Six

Falling
BT pp. 203-224
§§34-38

Week Seven

Care
BT pp. 225-244
§§39-42

Week Eight

Reality and truth
BT pp. 244-273
§§43-44

Week Nine

Being-towards-death and authenticity
BT pp. 279-311, 312-348
§§46-60

Week Ten

Temporality and historicity
BT 424-455
§§72-77

Additional Information

The use of generative AI tools is permitted in this course for brainstorming, researching topics, and checking grammar/spelling. However, it is prohibited for drafting papers, assignment submissions, or discussion board posts. Use of AI tools for prohibited activities may be considered academic dishonesty, and thus a violation of the student Code of Conduct.