

Optional PHI 101 Videos

I highly recommend any of these videos to anyone who is interested in its topic. (Make sure you check the Presentation Schedule so you'll know which one(s) you might see during the semester – unless you won't mind seeing it twice.) To watch one of the following videos, simply go to the MCC library and ask a librarian to set you up with one. Many are only a half an hour long; some are one hour long. Enjoy!

What is Philosophy? -- General Introduction, with contemporary philosophers; they go through Plato's Cave Allegory a bit

Great Philosophers -- This is a series, with one to three philosophers per tape. E.g., "Plato," "Aristotle," or "Marx, Hegel and Freud." Warning: These videos only have two guys (or a guy and a gal) sitting on a couch discussing a philosopher – only watch these if you're ***really*** interested in knowing more about the philosopher.)

Plato's Apology -- Socrates' defense at his trial; the circumstances surrounding the trial, etc.

Socrates -- Socrates the man (his life), the teacher (what he taught), and the philosopher (what he held)

Aristotle's Ethics -- Self-explanatory

Is There an Enduring Self? -- Metaphysical questions concerning personal identity. Who or what am I?

Is Time Real? -- Discusses different views of time, from Aristotle to Kant, Newton, Einstein, and others.

What is Art? -- Discusses different views of art, and if it does its job correctly, should have you asking what art really is and if we can define it.

Is Morality Relative? -- Self-explanatory, but if you have a weak stomach, don't watch this right after lunch!

Buddhism: The Middle Way of Compassion -- One kind or type of Eastern Philosophy

(Note: This list is only partial and not updated often – please see the Librarians if you would like to see what else they have)