I. Course Title: Ethics
II. Course Number: PHIL 202
III. Credit Hours: 3
IV. Prerequisites: None

V. Catalog Description: An examination of criteria governing ethical responses in typical situations as presented by representative thinkers. The application of principles in the development of reasonable standards of conduct and in the formulation of codes of ethics.

VI. Curricular Relationships
This course is part of the elective block for the pre-law program and philosophy minors.

VII. Student learning Outcomes: Through three tests, one research paper, and a series of reading quizzes, students will:
1. Improve understanding of the historical foundations of the Western ethical tradition
2. Further develop the ability to analyze and evaluate ethical theories
3. Further develop the ability to justify ethical views, values, and precepts
4. Further develop the ability to think and write critically and clearly concerning complex issues
5. Further develop the ability to express ideas and critically evaluate the ideas of others in a constructive way
6. Learn the basic vocabulary of the subject

VIII. Content Outline:
The course will include selections from Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, David Hume, Immanuel Kant, John Stuart Mill, Friedrich Nietzsche, and John Rawls. In addition to surveying ethical theories, the course will apply ethical systems to contemporary moral issues such as abortion, euthanasia, sexual morality, animal rights, and pornography.

IX. Course Procedures: Through twelve reading quizzes of which the student’s lowest two will be dropped, three tests, and one final paper, students will evidence their developing ability to evaluate and communicate central concepts in ethics.

Available Points:
3 Tests  100 pts. each  300
10 quizzes  10 pts. each  100
1 Final paper  100 pts.  100
Total Course Points: 500
X. Grading Scale:

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XI. Required Text:
A comprehensive text of ethical theory, the following is suggested:
Solomon, Robert & Martin, Clancy, *Morality and the Good Life*

XII. Any Issues Unique to this course:
N/A

XIII. Additional Issues of the Department’s Choosing
N/A