INSTITUTIONAL SYLLABUS

(Check One)

__x__ New Course (OR) Date of Last Review _____
_____Substantive Change in Existing Course

I. Course Title: Chinese Philosophy

II. Course Prefix/Number: PHIL 303

III. Credit Hours: 3

IV. Prerequisites: None

V. Catalog Description: A critical examination of the major philosophical traditions in China. The focus will be on the methodology and content of Chinese approaches to understanding nature, human nature, society, knowledge, and the good life.

VI. Curricular Relationships: This course is part of the elective block for philosophy minors and religious studies minors

VII. Student Learning Outcomes: Through three tests, one research paper, and a series of reading quizzes, students will:

1. demonstrate an appreciation for the core issues in philosophy of religion.
2. demonstrate the ability to analyze and evaluate philosophical arguments.
3. demonstrate the ability to think and write critically and clearly concerning complex issues.
4. demonstrate the ability to express ideas and critically evaluate the ideas of others in a constructive way.
5. Demonstrate the knowledge of and ability to use the basic vocabulary of the subject.

VIII. Content Outline The course will include selections from Confucius, Mencius, Mo Tzu, the School of Names, Chuang Tzu, Lao Tzu, Han Fei Tzu, Neo-Confucianism, Neo-Taoism, and Chinese Buddhism.

IX. Course Procedures: Through twelve pop quizzes of which the student’s lowest two will be dropped, three tests, and one final, students will evidence their developing ability to construct and evaluate arguments.

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1 Final paper  100 pts.  100
Total Course Points:  500

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X. Required/Recommended Readings: Comprehensive text on Chinese philosophy and primary texts from Chinese philosophers, the following are suggested:
Wing-Tsit Chan, *A Source Book in Chinese Philosophy*
Burton Watson, *Chuang-tzu: Basic Writings*
DC Lau, *Confucius: The Analects*
Philip Ivanhoe, *Dao De Jing of Laozi*

XI  Any Issues Unique to this Course: N/A

XII  Additional Issues of the Department's Choosing: N/A

XIII  Syllabus Statement Regarding Course Adaptations or Accommodations: Should the student require course adaptations or accommodations because of a documented disability, the student shall provide the instructor with the appropriate documentation as specified by applicable law and institutional policy.

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