

# NEPEAN HIGH SCHOOL

Social Sciences and Humanities Department

## HZT4U – Grade 12 University - Philosophy

Prerequisite: Any University or University/College preparation course in Social Sciences and Humanities, English, or Canadian and World Studies

Teacher Name: Mr. Bakelaar Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Textbook: Philosophy: Questions and Theories Replacement Value: \$94.89 Text # \_\_\_\_\_

### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course addresses three (or more) of the main areas of philosophy: metaphysics, logic, epistemology, ethics, social and political philosophy, and aesthetics. Students will learn critical thinking skills, the main ideas expressed by philosophers from a variety of the world's traditions, how to develop and explain their own philosophical ideas, and how to apply those ideas to contemporary social issues and personal experiences. The course will also help students refine skills used in researching and investigating topics in philosophy. The curriculum document is available from: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum>

**UNITS OF STUDY:** The order of the units may vary between classes.

Unit 1	Introducing Philosophy and Human Nature
Unit 2	Logic and Critical Thinking
Unit 3	Metaphysics
Unit 4	Epistemology: Knowledge and Truth
Unit 5	Aesthetics / Social and Political Philosophy

### ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION:

Category and Types of Assessment	Weight
<b>Knowledge &amp; Understanding</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the acquisition of subject specific content acquired in each grade (knowledge), and the comprehension of its meaning and significance (understanding)</li></ul>	20%
<b>Thinking</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the use of critical and creative thinking skills and/or processes</li></ul>	20%
<b>Application</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the conveying of meaning through various forms</li></ul>	15%
<b>Communication</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the use of knowledge and skills to make connections within and between various contexts</li></ul>	15%
<b>Summative</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>end of year summative project (rich performance task) 10% and final exam 20%</li></ul>	30%

### ADDITIONAL NOTES:

Students' rights and responsibilities are the cornerstone of academic success and include: attendance, punctuality, timely completion of homework and assignments, and academic integrity. Students are responsible for:

- Self advocacy
- Completion and submission of their own work
- Submission of required assignments on the assigned due date
- Striving for excellence
- Completion of course requirements