

PHILOSOPHY 468 - THE PHENOMENOLOGY OF PERCEPTION

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- Text : *Phenomenology of Perception*, Merleau-Ponty, Maurice
- Other texts by Merleau-Ponty of interest [not required]: *Signs, Sense and Non Sense*, *The Visible and the Invisible*, *The Primacy of Perception*, *Humanism and Terror*, *Adventures of the Dialectic*, *Consciousness and the Acquisition of Language*.

Description :

This course will be a thorough^h examination of *Phenomenology of Perception*, one of the three major texts of 20 century existential phenomenology [along with *Being and Time* and *Being and Nothingness*]. We will proceed by lectures and discussion.

Requirements:

There will be a mid-term examination, a final paper (10 to 15 pages) and a final examination. Paper topics will be of your choosing. I will be willing to discuss possible topics with you and make suggestions.

- Important deadline: To drop the course or change from credit to no credit without the instructor's and advisor's signature: Sept. 19.

DSS accommodations:

Students with disabilities may request reasonable modifications by contacting me. The University of Montana assures equal access to instruction through collaboration between students with disabilities, instructors, and Disability Services for Students. "Reasonable" means the University permits no fundamental alterations of academic standards or retroactive modifications.

Schedule

9/2:

Preface: pp. lxx-lxxxv

9/9:

Introduction: Chapters 1 & 2

9/16:

Introduction: Chapters 3 & 4

9/23:

Part I, Chapters 1 & 2

9 /30:

Part I, Chapter 3

10/7:

Part I, Chapters 4 & 5

10/14:

Part I, Chapter 6

10/21:

Part II, Chapter 1

10/28:

Part II, Chapter 2

11/4:

Part II, Chapters 3 & 4

11/11:

Veterans Day – No School

11/18:

Midterm Exam

11/25:

Thanksgiving – No School

12/2:

Part III, Chapters 1 & 2

12/9:

Part III, Chapter 3

12/12:

Final Paper Due in My Mailbox

12/16:

Final Exam 1:10 – 3:10