This course will function as a condensed survey of many different philosophical areas of study such as metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and social political theory. The course will cover figures from Ancient times up to contemporary writers. The goal of this class is to show the wide range of ways that philosophy is applied and how broad the topic of philosophy is. The course will primarily be focused on paper writing but there will also be multiple quizzes, an optional presentation, and a final exam. The desired outcome for students taking this class is that they will not only be familiar with key philosophical positions, but that they will develop the critical thinking and argument development skills that are extremely beneficial outside of the discipline as well.

Required Texts (all other readings will supplied as PDFs):

- *Five Dialogues: Euthyphro, Apology, Crito, Meno, Phaedo* - Plato
- *Discourse on Method* - Rene Descartes