



**The University of
Introduction to**

in Modern Society (E-Learning)

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Philosophy: Morality

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Course introduction

The aim of this course will be to look at certain people and characters across both fiction and real life, these people/characters will be examined based on their morality and whether they fall into the category of Hero or Villain. The factors that affect the morality of each character/person will be discussed within each section. This will help the students understand what factors affect the morality of an individual. Factors that will be examined include: Age, gender, ethnicity, history (family background), intellect, wealth, perspective/view of the world etc.

The course will also look to answer broader questions such as: What does it mean to be both good and bad? Can a person be all good or all bad? What justifies a right/wrong action? What factors play into the morality of a character/person? What are some everyday applications of certain theories of morality?

This course is aimed at any students who have an interest in movies/tv/fiction/fantasy. Students with an interest in humanity may also find this course of interest.

Course objectives

After completing the course, students will;

- Understand/know a variety of interesting people/characters including their histories and motivations.
- Distinguish between the common characteristics of both hero type or villainous type characters/people.
- Comprehend a number of basic concepts/theories of morality.
- Analyse how/whether certain factors affect a character's morality.
- At the end of the course be able to create their own fictional character.

Course language

This course is taught completely in English. Students will need to have a good level of English to read and understand the contents and to complete the assignments.

Course format

This course is an online course. All 3 hours are taught online on Blackboard. Students will be required to view lectures in the form of presentations, view certain video files and take part in discussions/blogs that relate to the lecture material throughout the semester on Blackboard.

Course guidelines, requirements and expectations

All students must;

- Use the required text/material and download or prepare any other materials required by the teacher.
- Act respectfully and courteously in class and forums at all times..
- Attend and participate actively in all classes and discussions.
- Complete all required readings, assignments and exams.

Course website

<https://canvas.suwon.ac.kr/learningx/main>

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Course policies

To complete a course, students must attend at least 75% of classes. That is, if students miss a course **more than four times**, they will fail the course.

Absences:

- There are NO excused absences

Assessment:

- Missing any assessments results in an automatic F for the class.
- Assessment will be by class participation, blogs, discussion forums, HW quizzes and exams
- Makeup exams are allowed but will be docked points.
- Cheating is not tolerated and will result in an automatic F.

Grading:

- HW quizzes: 20%
- Long Form Assignments (Discussion Forums & Essays): 30%
- Attendance/Participation: 20%
- Midterm assessment: 15%
- Final assessment: 15%

NOTE: The course will be graded on a curve (relative grading).

Elective Schedule

Date	Lesson content
Week 01	Intro to Course (Overview), Tutorials
Week 02	Intro to Morality, Case Study 1
Week 03	Age & Morality, Moral Subjectivism , Case Study 2
Week 04	Gender & Morality, Feminist Ethics, Case Study 3
Week 05	Family & Morality, Ethical Egoism, Case Study 4
Week 06	Religion & Morality, Divine Command Theory, Case Study 5
Week 07	Review, Case Study 6
Week 08	Midterm Exam
Week 09	Education & Morality, Virtue Ethics , Case Study 7
Week 10	Peer Group & Morality, Utilitarianism , Case Study 8
Week 11	Culture & Morality, Cultural Relativism , Case Study 9
Week 12	Media & Morality , Kantian Theory , Case Study 10
Week 13	Moral Responsibility, Contractarianism, Case Study 11
Week 14	Consequentialism, Review, Case Study 12
Week 15	Final Exam

NOTE: The course content listed above is subject to change.