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PHIL 321-10 Business Ethics

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Business Ethics

Summer, 2014 a.m.

May 11-22

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Course requirements

1. Class participation:¹ 15%
 - a) Contribution to class discussion
 - b) Group project
2. Final exam
Friday, May 22^h
 - a) 8:30-10:30, The foundation of Business Ethics: 50%
Answer for each philosopher the following questions:
 - i.) What is the source of moral obligation?
 - ii.) How are ethical decisions made?
 - iii.) What is justice?
 - iv.) What is the ethical significance of money?
 - b) 10:45-12:15 The practice of Business Ethics: 35%
 - i) Analyze the three photocopied cases from *Case Studies in Business, Society, and Ethics* from the perspective of Aristotle, Aquinas, Hobbes, Kant and Mill.
 - ii.) Two of the cases will have been discussed in class.

Schedule

Monday, May 11

Syllabus

Small group meeting

Aristotle

Tuesday, May 12

Aquinas

Hobbes

Wednesday, May 13

Kant

Thursday, May 14

Mill

Friday, May 15

Case Studies in Business, Society, and Ethics, Chapter 1

Monday, May 18

¹ Three or more unexcused absences will result in an "F" for the course. Leaving before the class is finished will result in an unexcused absence. Texting, surfing the net, and unconsciousness will result in an unexcused absence.

Group project: subprime crisis--borrowers
Case Studies, Chapter 2

Tuesday, May 19

Group project: subprime crisis--lenders
Case Studies, Chapter 3

Wednesday, May 20

Group project: subprime crisis—government
Case Studies, Chapter 4

Thursday, May 21

Group project: debt and future generations
Case Studies, Chapter 5

Friday, May 22

Final exam