

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

PHILOSOPHY 291 | VALUES 291 – Ethics in Science – SPRING 2017

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COURSES, GRADING, ACADEMIC CONDUCT

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is defined as the use of creations, ideas or words of publicly available work without formally acknowledging the author or source through appropriate use of quotation marks, references, and the like. Plagiarizing is presenting someone else's work as one's own original work or thought. This constitutes plagiarism whether it is intentional or unintentional. The University of Washington takes plagiarism very seriously. Plagiarism may lead to disciplinary action by the University against the student who submitted the work. Any student who is uncertain whether his or her use of the work of others constitutes plagiarism should consult the course instructor for guidance before formally submitting the course work involved. (Sources: *UW Graduate School Style Manual; UW Bothell Catalog; UW Student Conduct Code*)

<http://www.washington.edu/teaching/cheating-or-plagiarism/>
<https://depts.washington.edu/grading/pdf/AcademicResponsibility.pdf>

Incompletes

An incomplete is given only when the student has been in attendance and has done satisfactory work until within two weeks of the end of the quarter and has furnished proof satisfactory to the instructor that the work cannot be completed because of illness or other circumstances beyond the student's control. (Source: *UW General Catalog Online, "Student Guide/Grading"*)

https://www.washington.edu/students/genecat/front/Grading_Sys.html
<http://www.washington.edu/students/reg/incomplete.html>

Grade Appeal Procedure

A student who believes they have been improperly graded must first discuss the matter with the instructor. If they are not satisfied with the instructor's explanation, they may submit a written appeal to the chair of the Department of Philosophy with a copy of the appeal also sent to the instructor. The chair consults with the instructor to ensure that the evaluation of the student's performance has not been arbitrary or capricious. Should the chair believe the instructor's conduct to be arbitrary or capricious and the instructor declines to revise the grade, the chair, with the approval of the voting members of his or her faculty, shall appoint an appropriate member, or members, of the faculty of the Department of Philosophy to evaluate the performance of the student and assign a grade. The Dean and Provost should be informed of this action. Once a student submits a written appeal, this document and all subsequent actions on this appeal are recorded in written form for deposit in a School file. (Source: *UW General Catalog Online, "Student Guide/Grading"*)

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Concerns About a Course, an Instructor, or a Teaching Assistant

If you have any concerns about a Philosophy course or your instructor, please see the instructor about these concerns as soon as possible. If you are not comfortable talking with the instructor or not satisfied with the response you receive, contact the chair of the program offering the course, in this case, the Department of Philosophy.

If you have any concerns about a teaching assistant, please see the teaching assistant about these concerns as soon as possible. If you are not comfortable talking with the teaching assistant or not satisfied with the response that you receive, contact the instructor in charge of the course. If you are still not satisfied with the response that you receive, contact the chair of the program offering the course, in this case, the Department of Philosophy.

Names and contact information are available on the Philosophy department website:

<https://phil.washington.edu/>

POLICIES, RULES, RESOURCES

Equal Opportunity

The University of Washington reaffirms its policy of equal opportunity regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, or status as a disabled veteran or Vietnam-era veteran in accordance with University of Washington policy and applicable federal and state statutes and regulations.

UW-EO: <https://ap.washington.edu/eoaa/equal-opportunity-and-accommodation-statements/>

Disability Accommodation

The University of Washington is committed to providing access, equal opportunity and reasonable accommodation in its services, programs, activities, education and employment for individuals with disabilities. For information or to request disability accommodation contact: Disabled Students Services at (206) 543-8924/V, or e-mail: uwdss@uw.edu.

DSS: <http://depts.washington.edu/uwdrs/>

Sexual Harassment

Sexual harassment is defined as the use of one's authority or power, either explicitly or implicitly, to coerce another into unwanted sexual relations or to punish another for his or her refusal, or as the creation by a member of the University community of an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or educational environment through verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.

If you believe you are being harassed, seek help – the earlier the better. You may speak with your instructor, your teaching assistant, the undergraduate advisor (363 Savery Hall), graduate program assistant (366 Savery Hall), or the chair of the Philosophy Department (364 Savery Hall). In addition, the University has designated special people to help you.

UW Ombud and Ombud for Sexual Harassment, for complaints involving faculty members and teaching assistants:

Chuck Sloan, 339 HUB, 543-6028; <http://www.washington.edu/ombud/>

UW Complaint Investigation and Resolution Office (UCIRO): 616-2028: <http://f2.washington.edu/treasury/riskmgmt/UCIRO>

Office of Scholarly Integrity

The Office of Scholarly Integrity is housed in the Office of the Vice-Provost. This office is responsible for investigating and resolving allegations of scientific and scholarly misconduct by faculty, students, and staff of the University of Washington; it coordinates, in consultation and cooperation with the Schools and Colleges, inquiries and investigations into allegations of scientific and scholarly misconduct. The Office of Scholarly Integrity is responsible for compliance with reporting requirements established by various Federal and other funding agencies in matters of scientific or scholarly misconduct; it maintains all records resulting from inquiries and investigations of such allegations.

University rules (Handbook, Vol. II, Section 25-51, Executive Order #61) define scientific and scholarly misconduct in terms that include the following types of inappropriate activities: intentional misrepresentation of credentials; falsification of data; plagiarism; abuse of confidentiality; deliberate violation of regulations applicable to research.

To report a case of scientific or scholarly misconduct, contact either to the Office of Scholarly Integrity, your faculty adviser or department chair. (Sources: *minutes of Grad School Executive Staff and Division Heads meeting, 7/23/98*)

OSI: <https://ap.washington.edu/osi/>

UW SafeCampus

Preventing violence is everyone's responsibility. **If you're concerned, tell someone.**

- Call 911 if you or others may be in danger.
- To report non-urgent threats of violence and for referrals to UW counseling and/or safety resources:
206-685-SAFE (7233)
- Don't walk alone. Campus safety guards can walk with you on campus after dark.
Husky NightWalk 206-685-WALK (9255)
<http://police.uw.edu/aboutus/divisions/security/husky-nightwalk/>
- Stay connected in an emergency with UW Alert. Register your mobile number to receive instant notification of campus emergencies via text and voice messaging. Sign up online at www.washington.edu/alert
- For more information visit the SafeCampus website: www.washington.edu/safecampus