

# Washtenaw Community College Comprehensive Report

## PHL 245 Philosophy of Religion

Effective Term: Fall 2012

### Course Cover

**Division:** Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

**Department:** Humanities

**Discipline:** Philosophy

**Course Number:** 245

**Org Number:** 11540

**Full Course Title:** Philosophy of Religion

**Transcript Title:** Philosophy of Religion

**Is Consultation with other department(s) required:** No

**Publish in the Following:** College Catalog , Time Schedule , Web Page

**Reason for Submission:** Three Year Review / Assessment Report

**Change Information:**

Course description

Outcomes/Assessment

Objectives/Evaluation

**Rationale:** We are no longer teaching this course as previously outlined in the Course Description

**Proposed Start Semester:** Fall 2012

**Course Description:** In this introductory philosophy of religion course, students are introduced to various forms of Theism, Atheism and Agnosticism. The primary emphasis will be on a critical examination of their theoretical-philosophical justifications and the philosophical problems and answers that arise therefrom.

### Course Credit Hours

**Variable hours:** No

**Credits:** 3

**Lecture Hours: Instructor:** 45 **Student:** 45

**Lab: Instructor:** 0 **Student:** 0

**Clinical: Instructor:** 0 **Student:** 0

**Total Contact Hours: Instructor:** 45 **Student:** 45

**Repeatable for Credit:** NO

**Grading Methods:** Letter Grades

Audit

**Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?:** NO (same sections)

### College-Level Reading and Writing

College-level Reading & Writing

### College-Level Math

#### Requisites

#### General Education

**MACRAO**

MACRAO Humanities

**General Education Area 6 - Arts and Humanities**

Assoc in Applied Sci - Area 6

Assoc in Science - Area 6

## **Request Course Transfer**

### **Proposed For:**

Central Michigan University  
Eastern Michigan University  
Grand Valley State University  
Jackson Community College  
Michigan State University  
Oakland University  
University of Detroit - Mercy  
University of Michigan  
Wayne State University  
Western Michigan University

## **Student Learning Outcomes**

1. Identify and explain the basic tenets of, justifications of and sources of disagreement between Evidentialist Theism, Non-Evidentialist Theism, Evidentialist Atheism and Evidentialist Agnosticism.

### **Assessment 1**

**Assessment Tool:** Essay

**Assessment Date:** Fall 2012

**Assessment Cycle:** Every Three Years

**Course section(s)/other population:** all

**Number students to be assessed:** all

**How the assessment will be scored:** A departmentally-developed rubric.

**Standard of success to be used for this assessment:** The class average will be 2.8 on a scale of 1-4.

**Who will score and analyze the data:** Departmental faculty will score and analyze the data.

## **Course Objectives**

1. Identify and explain the basic tenets and justifications of Evidentialist Theism.

### **Matched Outcomes**

2. Identify and explain the basic tenets and justifications of Non-Evidentialist Theism.

### **Matched Outcomes**

3. Identify and explain the basic tenets and justifications of Evidentialist Atheism.

### **Matched Outcomes**

4. Identify and explain the basic tenets and justifications of Evidentialist Agnosticism.

### **Matched Outcomes**

5. Explain and take a position regarding the reasonability of Evidentialist Theism, Non-Evidentialist Theism, Evidentialist Atheism, and Evidentialist Agnosticism.

### **Matched Outcomes**

## **New Resources for Course**

### **Course Textbooks/Resources**

Textbooks  
Manuals  
Periodicals  
Software

### **Equipment/Facilities**

Level II classroom

**Reviewer**

**Action**

**Date**

**Faculty Preparer:**

<i>Corinne Painter</i>	<i>Faculty Preparer</i>	<i>Jan 25, 2012</i>
<b>Department Chair/Area Director:</b>		
<i>Dena Blair</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Jan 31, 2012</i>
<b>Dean:</b>		
<i>Bill Abernethy</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Feb 07, 2012</i>
<b>Vice President for Instruction:</b>		
<i>Stuart Blacklaw</i>	<i>Approve</i>	<i>Apr 19, 2012</i>