



**EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 2004**  
**CURRICULUM GUIDELINES**

<b>A:</b>	Division:	<b>INSTRUCTIONAL</b>	Effective Date:	<b>SEPTEMBER 2004</b>
<b>B:</b>	Department / Program Area:	<b>PHILOSOPHY &amp; HUMANITIES FACULTY OF HUMANITIES &amp; SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	Revision	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			New Course	<input type="checkbox"/>

**M: Course Objectives / Learning Outcomes:**

Successful students will be able to:

1. Explain traditional and contemporary problems of metaphysics, and the philosophical reasoning and viewpoints pertaining to them.
2. Systematically develop their own philosophical reasoning and reflection about the types of metaphysical problems covered.
3. Demonstrate the relation of metaphysics and theory of knowledge with regard to the problems discussed in the course.
4. Contrast and compare traditional and contemporary philosophical perspectives on specific topics covered in the course.

**N: Course Content:**

1. Historical and contemporary perspectives on the nature of metaphysics, on its relation to epistemology, and on a range of specific metaphysical problems.
2. An examination of at least one major historical philosopher (e.g., Aristotle, Descartes, Hume, Kant, Heidegger) on a set of central problems in metaphysics, or an examination of the writings of several philosophers on one major historical problem of metaphysics.
3. The study of another major problem of metaphysics with significant emphasis on contemporary thinking about that problem.
4. Works examined might include Descartes' Meditations, or Kant's Prolegomena

**Q: Means of Assessment:**

Evaluation will be based on course objectives and will be carried out in accordance with Douglas College