Nebraska Wesleyan University

PHIL 2040 Ancient Philosophy

Catalog

2015-2016

Course Description

This course will examine the origin of western philosophy in ancient Greece and trace the development of philosophical thought from the received wisdom prior to Plato, through the works of Plato, Aristotle, representative Stoics, Skeptics, and the new Platonism that culminates classical thinking. Topics include but are not limited to: questions about the origin of democracy and community, the character of the divine, ancient concepts of nature, the concepts of the soul, the scope of human knowledge, the conditions for rationality, and the good life.

Course Hours

3 hours

Departments

1. Philosophy and Religion