

Objectivism Seminar

ARU Course Outline and Schedule - draft

Last updated: April 1, 2025

Note: This course outline and schedule is a draft and subject to change if we think changes will help us meet the educational goals of the course. The final version is currently being prepared and will be made available on the course website prior to the commencement of the course.

COURSE TITLE: Objectivism Seminar

COURSE YEAR AND QUARTERS: 2024-25, Q3-Q4

CLASS #	ASSIGNMENT SET 1 DUE 7 PM UTC	ASSIGNMENT SET 2 DUE 7 PM UTC	LIVE CLASS	TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR	DISCUSSION
Q3 Week 1	Wed, April 9	Sun, April 13	Tue, April 15	Objectivism's view of philosophy	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 2	Wed, April 16	Sun, April 20	Tue, April 22	The false method of rationalism	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 3	Wed, April 23	Sun, April 27	Tue, April 29	The subject of morality	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 4	Wed, April 30	Sun, May 04	Tue, May 06	The foundations of Objectivist ethics	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 5	Wed, May 7	Sun, May 11	Tue, May 13	The cardinal values: reason, purpose, and self-esteem	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 6	Wed, May 14	Sun, May 18	Tue, May 20	The Objectivist metaphysics	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 7	Wed, May 21	Sun, May 25	Tue, May 27	Idealism & materialism	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 8	Wed, May 28	Sun, June 1	Tue, June 3	The subject of epistemology	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 9	Wed, June 4	Sun, June 8	Tue, June 3	Arguments against the validity of the senses	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza

Q3 Week 10	Wed, June 11	Sun, June 15	Tue, June 17	Free will	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 11	Wed, June 18	Sun, June 22	Tue, June 24	The problem of universals	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q3 Week 12	Wed, June 25	Sun, June 29	Tue, July 31	Objectivity	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza

BREAK BETWEEN Q3 and Q4

CLASS #	ASSIGNMENT SET 1 DUE 7 PM UTC	ASSIGNMENT SET 2 DUE 7 PM UTC	LIVE CLASS	TOPIC	INSTRUCTOR	DISCUSSION
Q4 Week 1	Wed, July 9	Sun, July 13	Tue, July 15	Logic, Reason, Emotion	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 2	Wed, July 16	Sun, July 20	Tue, July 22	Certainty & the arbitrary	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 3	Wed, July 23	Sun, July 27	Tue, July 29	Independence and Integrity	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 4	Wed, July 30	Sun, Aug 3	Tue, Aug 5	Honesty and Justice	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 5	Wed, Aug 6	Sun, Aug 10	Tue, Aug 12	Productiveness and Pride	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 6	Wed, Aug 13	Sun, Aug 17	Tue, Aug 19	Happiness	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 7	Wed, Aug 20	Sun, Aug 24	Tue, Aug 26	The initiation of force, rights, and government	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza
Q4 Week 8	Wed, Aug 27	Sun, Sep 1	Tue Sep 3	Aesthetics and Art	Onkar Ghate	Mike Mazza