Ryerson University
Department of Philosophy
Area Readings

Part One: Rawls and His Legacy on Justice
Part Two: Natural Rights Theories and Left Libertarianism
(Summer 2016)

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Course Description:
This Area Reading Exam will examine:
Part One: selections of the collected works of John Rawls and other readings
Part Two: natural rights theories and left libertarianism.

Evaluation Scheme:
Grades will normally be determined in the following manner:

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| **Short Response Papers:**  | Due Dates: Summary – June 30
| One Summary and One Critical| Critical Commentary – July 15                              |
| Commentary (Each approx. 4-5|                                                            |
| pages; 1000-1250 words;     |                                                            |
| Total 8-10 pages; 2000-2500 |                                                            |
| **One Essay** (8-10 pages;  | Due Date: August 25, 2016 (TBC)                           |
| 2000-2500 words); Topic: TBD|                                                            |

ASSIGNMENTS:
One Expository/ Explication Summary (approximately 4-5 pages; 1000-1250 words)
DUE DATE: TBD

One Critical Commentary (approximately 4-5 pages; 1000-1250 words)
DUE DATE: TBD

The responses are to be graded Pass/Fail, with a Pass on each needed to pass the course.
Essay
8-10 pages; 2000-2500 words
DUE DATE: August 25, 2016 (TBC)
Suggested essay topic to be determined.

Please Note: A grade of A- on the essay is needed to pass the course.

NOTE: Failure to submit all written work by final due date of August, in circumstances that do not fit within Ryerson University policies on accommodation, may result in failing grade.

Schedule of Topics and Readings

*Note: The selection and sequencing of readings will be developed as an iterative process, with the potential for revision as the course progresses, depending on interests, discovery of additional materials, and the pace of discussion.

PRELIMINARY READING LIST (Note: only a selection of these items are to be covered during the ARE):

Part One: Rawls on Justice (Preliminary List)


Part Two: Natural Rights Theories and Left Libertarianism


