Goals and Requirements

Introducing students to key themes and figures in the modern philosophy and psychology of religion, RS 200B will require informed and active participation in seminar meetings; short weekly writing exercises; a final seminar paper; and a final exam.

Provisional Schedule of Classes

Week 1  Introduction and Overview


Weeks 5-6  Friedrich Nietzsche, Twilight of the Idols (in The Portable Nietzsche), entire; and Will to Power, pp. 1-39; 83-146 (on nihilism and the critique of religion); pp. 247-272; 300-331 (on the critique of philosophy and the will to power).

Weeks 7-10  Martin Heidegger, Being and Time, entire.