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Intro to Phil

### Presentation on a Branch of Philosophy

Instructions: you will give a short presentation on one of the branches of philosophy. You get to select which day you present (so long as it's before fall break) and which branch you present on. Send me an email by Wednesday September 16 with which days and branches you're interested in – I'll do it first-come, first-served, and I'll try to spread them out so there's no more than 2 on any given day. I'll grade it pass/fail/didn't present and it's worth 2 percent of your grade. Pass is equivalent to an 'A' – if you do a super-awesome job, I'll give you some bonus points.

I would like you to offer a brief presentation (no more than five minutes or so) on one of the following branches of philosophy:

- Aesthetics (sometimes known as Philosophy of Art)
- Epistemology
- Ethics
- Logic
- Metaphysics
- Philosophy of Language
- Philosophy of Mind
- Philosophy of Religion
- Philosophy of Science
- Political Philosophy

You should say what the branch is, tell us a little about some of the debates in it, and say which questions (if any) that we're talking about in this class are connected with your branch. I'll give a sample presentation so you all have a sense of what I'm looking for.

Some suggestions about finding resources on your branch:

- There are various online encyclopedias, including the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, the Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy, and Wikipedia. (Note: Wikipedia is not always accurate).
- The library has various encyclopedias of philosophy on the first floor, including The Cambridge Dictionary of Philosophy, the Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, among others.
- If you run into problems, let me know, and I'll help you out.