

# PHIL 4901: Senior Seminar

Spring 2021, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:35–5:55pm, Online

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## Schedule

This overview is just to give you a sense of what this course will be like, and it is not going to reflect any changes that may be made during the semester. **For the actual assignments, consult weekly pages on the course website.**

Wk	Date	Readings
1	Tue, Jan 19	<b>Daston and Galison</b> , <i>Objectivity</i> , Prologue (pp. 11–16) [5]
	Thu, Jan 21	<b>Morrow and Weston</b> , <i>A Workbook for Arguments</i> , Ch. 1 (background reading; skim exercises)
2	Tue, Jan 26	<b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 1 (pp. 17–53) [36]
	Thu, Jan 28	
3	Tue, Feb 2	<b>Writing Workshop 1 (Tuesday)</b>
	Thu, Feb 4	<b>Williams</b> , <i>Style</i> , pp. xiv–xv, 1–2, 11–14, 17–27 <b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 2 (pp. 55–68; 105–113) [21]
4	Tue, Feb 9	<b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 3 (pp. 115–161) [46]
	Thu, Feb 11	
5	Tue, Feb 16	<b>Writing Workshop 2 (Tuesday)</b>
	Thu, Feb 18	<b>Williams</b> , pp. 27–43 <b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 3 (pp. 161–173; 183–190) [19]
6	Tue, Feb 23	<b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 4 (pp. 191–233) [42]
	Thu, Feb 25	
7	Tue, Mar 2	<b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 4 (pp. 234–251) [17]; Ch. 6 (pp. 309–346) [37]
	Thu, Mar 4	
8	Tue, Mar 9	<b>Writing Workshop 3 (Tuesday)</b>
	Thu, Mar 11	<b>Williams</b> , pp. 45–53 <b>Daston and Galison</b> , Ch. 6 (pp. 346–361) [15]; Ch. 7 (pp. 363–382) [19]
9	Tue, Mar 16	<b>Proctor</b> , “Agnotology”; <b>Galison and Proctor</b> , “Agnotology in Action”
	Thu, Mar 18	
10	Tue, Mar 23	<b>Oreskes and Conway</b> , <i>Merchants of Doubt</i> , Introduction and Ch. 1
	Thu, Mar 25	
11	Tue, Mar 30	<b>Writing Workshop 4 (Tuesday)</b>
	Thu, Apr 1	<b>Williams</b> , pp. 115–133; <b>Morrow and Weston</b> , Ch. 1, Rule 4 <b>Wellness Break (no class on April 1)</b> Watch <i>Merchants of Doubt</i> (film) and/or read <b>Oreskes and Conway</b> , Ch. 5–6
12	Tue, Apr 6	<b>Oreskes</b> , <i>Why Trust Science?</i> , Ch. 1 (pp. 15–68) [53]. Skip the section on Quine (pp. 37–39) and the section on sociology of science (pp. 43–49).
	Thu, Apr 8	
13	Tue, Apr 13	<b>Oreskes</b> , Ch. 2 (read pp. 69–75; read one of the five examples; and read pp. 127–159)
	Thu, Apr 15	
14	Tue, Apr 20	<b>Writing Workshop 5 (Tuesday)</b>
	Thu, Apr 22	<b>Williams</b> , pp. 59–65 <b>Lindee</b> , “The Epistemology of Frozen Peas”

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