

UGED 2891 Philosophy of Love 2025-2026 S1

Course Code: UGED 2891
Title in English : Philosophy of Love
Title in Chinese : 愛情哲學

Course overview:

為何人類會投向偶像崇拜、軍事征服擴張國土、奢侈放縱好名好權、或為他人犧牲，或為禁慾捨棄，或為強迫性地工作，或為藝術創造，或為對神的奉獻，或為對人的關懷。種種人性的現象其實顯示了人類對自我的存在感到疏離，因著疏離而產生內心的焦慮，而不斷有所追求，希望實現一種統合感，以對抗隔離的不安，這就是愛。

所謂追尋統合感，其實是在生存歷程中找到愛與被愛，愛是存在的動力，亦是最困擾人性的情感；而各種感情現象中，又以愛情最為微妙。愛情多以春天借喻，喻其蘊藉興發欣欣滋長之機。春情就是自然生機之煥發，盎然滿溢，卻又無所著落的一種錯失感，千頭萬緒困蓋一起，蜷伏回去，內中洄流流蕩，便是春情之傷。

本課以哲學分析為入路，並透過文學、電影、生物學、心理學、社會學、文化反思等，從不同的角度描繪人類特有的情感世界。

Learning outcomes:

1. 認識不同的愛情理論與愛情的價值
2. 反思不同的愛情現象及愛情的苦樂相生的結構
3. 認識戀愛的主客互感之關係，並學習愛者超越被愛者
4. 反思現代人對愛情的迷惘根源

List of topics

Topic	Contents/ fundamental concepts
導論（一）：	<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. 為何人需要愛？b. 愛的基本原型
I. 古典愛情觀 1. 愛情與神話	<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. 中國神話的愛情傳說b. 西方愛情神話的典範：
2. 浪漫愛情（Romantic love）的渴求	<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. 騎士之愛與浪漫愛情的源流b. 浪漫愛情的主題：愛情與死亡（Liebstod）

II. 現代愛情觀	
1. 生物學的爱情理論	a. 爱情的生物演化理論 b. 男女大不同的科學理據
2. 心理學的爱情理論	a. 弗洛姆 (Erich Fromm) 的 Symbiotic Union 理論
3. 社會學對的現代爱情的反思	a. Alain de Botton 論 爱情的命運感與 權 b. Anthony Giddens 論現代浪漫愛情觀的延續與危機 c. 現代人的愛情困思
4. 爱情的 24 個場景	a. 愛的錯位 b. 戀人絮語 c. 唐璜現象批判

Task nature	Description	Weight
1. 課堂短測	a. 短題目 (五選三), 例如: 人為何需要愛? 愛的不同類別, b. 解構電影中的愛情意象	30% 10%
2. 期終考試	a. 短題目 (五選三), 主要評考同學上課之參與程度 b. 長題目 (三選二), 考核課堂的理論內容及閱讀資料, 例如: 批判生物學的爱情觀、心理學對爱情的剖析, 柏拉圖式愛, 浪漫爱情的幻象等, 現代人的愛情觀。	60%

Learning activities

講課: 26 小時

電影欣賞與互動討論: 13 小時

Course schedule

週數	課題	指定閱讀材料	
1	導論: 愛是甚麼?	陶國璋《愛情哲學心理學》: 第二章: 愛的基本原型 (上)	

2	導論：愛的五種基本原型	陶國璋《愛情哲學心理學》：第二章：愛的基本原型（下）	
3	古典愛情理論之一：愛情神話與傳說	馮夢龍：《情史》選段	
4	古典愛情理論之二：柏拉圖式的愛	柏拉圖《饗宴篇》選段	
5	浪漫愛情之源流與愛至於死	Alain de Botton：Essays in love 選段	
6	愛情的生物學解構	Richard Dawin：The Selfish Gene 選段 Helen Fisher：Anatomy of Love 選段	
7	愛情心理學	E. Fromm：The Art of Loving 選輯	
8	測驗		
9	現代的愛情觀之一：身份焦慮的出現	Alain de Botton：Status Anxiety 選段	
10	液態的愛與愛情三角理論	陶國璋《愛情哲學心理學》：第一章：新世紀愛情福音	
11	現代的愛情觀之三：現代愛情的新關係	Anthony Giddens：Love, Commitments, and Pure Relationship	
12	戀人絮語	陶國璋《愛情哲學心理學》：第四章：愛情的結構與解構	
13	期終考試		

參考書目：
Recommended learning resources:

主要參考書目：

1. 陶國璋：《愛情哲學心理學》：第四章：愛情的結構與解構
2. 佛洛姆：《愛的藝術》，臺北志文新潮文庫，85年
3. Erich Fromm, *The Art of loving*, London: Unwin, 1975.
4. 羅蘭·巴特：《戀人絮語》，臺北桂冠，94
5. Roland Barthes: *A Lover's Discourse: Fragments*, New York: Hill and Wang, 1978.

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3. 唐君毅：《愛情之福音》，臺北正中書局，95年五版
4. 唐君毅：《致廷光書》，臺北，學生書局，1984
5. 傅統先：《哲學與人生》，台灣 水牛出版社，1987年
6. 陸傑榮：《從痛苦到超越》，瀋陽，遼寧教育，1991年
7. 羅秉祥：《生死男女》，香港，突破，1997年
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9. 劉小楓：《沉重的肉身》，香港，牛津大學，1998 年
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11. 羅蘭·巴特：《戀人絮語》，臺北桂冠，94 年
12. 瓦西列夫著，趙永穆、范国恩、陳行慧譯：《情愛論》，北京：三聯書店，1992 年
13. 佛洛姆：《愛的藝術》，臺北志文新潮文庫，85 年
14. 海倫·費雪：《愛慾》，臺北時報文化，98 年
15. 約翰·基爾：《男女大不同》，臺北桂冠，97 年
16. 柏拉圖：《會飲》，北京華夏出版社，2003 年
17. 米蘭·昆德拉：《生命中不能承受之輕》，臺北時報文化，96 年

II 英文參考書：

1. Irving Singer, *The Nature of love* 3 Vols; Chicago : University of Chicago Press, 1984.
2. Irving Singer, *The Pursuit of love*, Baltimore : Johns Hopkins University Press, 1994 .
3. Erich Fromm, *The Art of loving*, London : Unwin, 1975.
4. Alan Soble, *The Structure of love*, New Haven ; London : Yale University Press, 1990.
5. Alan Soble edited, *Eros, agape, and philia : readings in the philosophy of love*, New York : Paragon House, 1989.
6. Mark Gibbard, *Dynamic of love : an exploration into believing praying and being humand*, London : Mowbray, 1974.
7. Sue Miller, *For Lover*, New York : HarperCollins, 1993.
8. Chris John-Terry, *For the love of wisdom : an explanation of the meaning and purpose of philosophy*, New York : Alba House, 1994
9. Robert C. Solomon, *Love : emotion, myth, & metaphor / Robert C Solomon*, Buffalo, N.Y. : Prometheus Books, 1990
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14. Jeffrey E. Ford, *Love, marriage, and sex in the Christian tradition from antiquity to today*, San Francisco : International Scholars Publications, 1999
15. William Reiser edited *Love of learning : desire for justice : undergraduate education and the option for the poor*, Scranton, PA : University of Scranton Press, c1995
16. Douglas N. (Douglas Neil) Morgan, *Love : Plato, the Bible and Freud*, Englewood Cliffs, N.J. : Prentice Hall, 1964
17. Odile M. Liebard compiled, *Love & sexuality* Wilmington, N.C. : Consortium Books, 1978

Other information: Blackboard / 哲學五厘米

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eRy1QjqYkAc&list=PLPY0_ooDN1dvItlPyc5Fh4itqoZEgfQ8y&index=492&ab_channel=memehongkong

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AI Tools Usage Approach :

Approach 3 – Use only with explicit acknowledgement

Grade Descriptors for Examinations

<p>[Excellent] A (85 – 92) or [Very Good] A- (80 – 84)</p>	<p>Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You faithfully reconstruct the author’s positions, and prove this knowledge by knowing the argument(s) supporting the theses in the text. You evidence independent and self-initiated thinking and understanding of the arguments and philosophical problems through your ability to present your own counter-arguments and possible replies to counter-arguments. <p>Theory Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You exhibit thorough understanding of the relations of the themes presented in the various texts. You demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the relations between the various subjects and authors discussed in the course. You demonstrate an above-average facility in judgment by applying the various theories to cases and situations presented in the course of the exam.
<p>[Good] B+ (76 – 79), B (72 – 75), or B- (68 – 71)</p>	<p>Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can faithfully reconstruct the author’s positions, and demonstrate a basic comprehension of the arguments supporting those positions. You show some independence in thinking, but have difficulty developing your own criticisms and rebuttals to criticism. <p>Theory Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You exhibit relatively complete understanding of the relations between the authors and the themes presented in the various texts. You show some basic, though average, facility in judgment by applying the various theories to cases and situations presented in the course of the exam.
<p>[Fair] C+ (64 – 67), C (60 – 63),</p>	<p>Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You demonstrate an ability to properly relay information about the various texts and the positions contained therein, but have difficulty re-constructing the arguments, presenting counter-arguments, and criticism. You can faithfully relay information, but you show no independence in philosophical thinking, fail to show basic competence in philosophical argumentation and have a difficulty

or C- (56 – 59)	<p>understanding arguments.</p> <p>Theory Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You show an incomplete understanding of the relations between the authors discussed in the course as well as the themes presented in the various texts. You demonstrate competence to memorize information, but you have some difficulty applying various theories to cases and situations presented in the course of the exam.
[Pass] D+ (53 – 55), or D (50 – 52)	<p>Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You demonstrate some understanding of the course content, but have difficulty relaying accurate information about the positions and the arguments for such positions in the text. <p>Theory Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Although the answers are readable, you exhibit seriously incomplete understanding of the content as well as the relationships between authors and themes covered in the readings and discussed in class. You fail to demonstrate facility in the application of various theories to cases and situations presented in the course of the exam.
[Fail] F (0-49)	<p>Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You demonstrate no understanding of the course content. You relay inaccurate information about the positions and arguments for those positions in the text. <p>Theory Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The answers are unreadable, and your answers exhibit a complete lack of understanding of the relationships between authors and themes covered in the readings and discussed in class.

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For assignments in the form of a computer-generated document that is principally text-based and submitted via VeriGuide, the statement, in the form of a receipt, will be issued by the system upon students' uploading of the soft copy of the assignment. Assignments without the receipt will not be graded by teachers. Only the final version of the assignment should be submitted via VeriGuide.

Feedback for evaluation

- a. The course and teaching evaluation survey will be conducted within the last two teaching weeks of the course. Students are reminded of their responsibility and right to give feedback to facilitate enhancement of the course.
- b. Students are welcome to give feedback to the course teacher at any time in person or through emails.