

PHIL 103 : Introduction to Philosophy: Environmental Philosophy

Credits: 3

Class Hours: 3 lecture

Description: This course offers a critical examination of the history of multi-cultural philosophical and ethical systems and their implications for interactions with, and relationships between, humans and non-humans. The critical examination will take place in the context of contemporary environmental/ecological issues.

Semester Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer

Designation:

Foundations: Global and Multicultural Perspectives – FGB (1500 to modern times)

Course Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs):

1. Summarize key metaphysical and epistemological assumptions underlying different cultural conceptions of humans and non-humans.
2. Critically discuss cultural differences in views about the proper relationship between humans and the environment.
3. Clearly articulate a reflective point of view regarding personal responsibility on a range of ecologically/environmentally important issues.
4. Identify a range of contemporary environmental/ecological problems impacting the local environment and offer concrete ideas on possible solutions.