Introduction to Logic
Syllabus

1 Course Information

- Course number: 01:730:201.

- Class location: Scott Hall, room 115

- Class date and time: Thursdays and Fridays, 1:50 - 5:15PM

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This syllabus and other course information and material will be made available at the sakai site for the course. If you are enrolled for this course you should already have access to our site. To find our site, go to www.sakai.rutgers.edu. If you experience any problems with the site, please let me know ASAP.

2 Course Goals

The main goal of this course is to familiarize the student with Formal Logic and its applications to language and reasoning.

3 Course Requirements

3.1 Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes. If you expect to miss a class, please use the University absence reporting website https://sims.rutgers.edu/ssra/ to indicate the date

and reason for your absence. An email is automatically sent to me. Here is my policy for missed classes: if you miss a class, unless you fulfill conditions I and II, you will be penalized (i.e., you will lose 250 points from your final grade): I - You have an acceptable excuse, such as illness or a religious holiday or an University sponsored event; II - You discuss your absence with me immediately before or immediately after your absence.

3.2   Homework and Readings

Students are required to do the readings before coming to class. This applies to classes online and in the classroom. Students are also supposed submit their homework through sakai's dropbox. The file with homework answers should be named "MyNmane - Homework NumberX." Homework distributed after Thursday's class should be handed in by Friday 12:15pm. Homework distributed after Friday's class should be handed in by midnight the following Monday.

3.3   Quizzes

There will be at least one quiz every class. Quizzes will be on the material assigned for class.

3.4   Midterm Exam

There will be a midterm exam and it will evaluate the student's comprehension of all the material covered before the day of the exam. It will be an open notes exam.

3.5   Final Exam

The final exam will cover all the material in the course. It will be an open notes exam.

3.6   Textbook

All enrolled students must acquire the textbook for the course: "Logic" (2nd edition), by Stan Baronett (Oxford University Press), ISBN-10: 0199846316/ISBN-13: 978-0199846313.

4   Final Grade

1. Attendance: -250 points for each unexcused absence.

2. Quizzes: 25 points each class (250 points total).

3. Homework: 25 points each (250 points total).

4. Midterm Exam: 200 points.

5. Final Exam: 300 points.

6. Extra Points: a valid answer to a logic challenge discussed in class will be worth up to 10 extra points.

Using a 100 point scale, the grade equivalences would be:

- $A \geq 90$

- B+ = 85 - 89

- B = 80 - 84

- C+ = 75 - 79

- C = 70 - 74

- D = 60 - 69

- $F \leq 59$

Grade	Definition	Numerical Equivalent
A	Outstanding	4.0
B+	Intermediate	3.5
B	Good	3.0
C+	Intermediate	2.5
C	Satisfactory	2.0
D	Poor	1.0
F	Failing	0.0

5 Plagiarism

Plagiarism is ugly and the student who plagiarizes will be punished in accordance with University regulation. Please, refer to this website for Rutger's Academic Integrity Policy: http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/files/documents/AI_Policy_9_01_2011.pdf. In light of that, any direct (i.e., same words) or indirect (i.e., same ideas) reference to someone else's work has to be acknowledge in all of your papers, presentations and exams.

Any violations of this policy will be reported immediately to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. Violations will, at the very least, result in an F on the assignment in questions, but they can result in much more severe penalties as well.

6   Disabilities

If you have a learning disability, please see me and I will make the necessary arrangements.

7   Office Hours

I strongly encourage you to come to my office to discuss anything related to the course. To set up an appointment please email me at: epistemen@gmail.com.

8   Schedule (Subject to Change)

Class meets twice a week. Usually, we will meet once in the classroom and once online. Class will meet Thursdays and Fridays from 1:15pm to 5:15pm no matter what the venue is (online or classroom).

- 7/10 (classroom): Introduction to the course and Chapter 1.

- 7/11 (online): Chapters 5 and 6.

- 7/17 (classroom): Chapter 7.

- 7/18 (classroom): Chapter 7.

- 7/24 (online): Chapter 8 (?) and Mid Term (includes ch. 1, 5, 6, and 7).

- 7/25 (classroom): Chapter 8.

- 7/31 (classroom): Chapters 8 and 9.

- 8/1 (classroom): Chapter 9.

- 8/7 (classroom): Chapter 9.

- 8/8 (online): Chapter 9 (?) and Final Exam (includes all covered material).