PHIL 489 Spring 2025

## **Week 5 Presentation Planning**

Consider the following questions when you're planning your presentation:

- 1. What will you tell the audience is the topic of your talk? That is, what philosophical question(s) will you be asking?
- 2. What will you say to share your enthusiasm about your topic? That is, what will you do to explain to them why your topic is interesting/matters/is fun to think about/ is important?
- 3. What will you tell the audience is your thesis? How will you make sure that they understand what your thesis is?
- 4. What are the key points you will say in order to convince your audience that your thesis is true?
- 5. What parts of your capstone paper will you NOT include in the talk?
- 6. Will you use a PowerPoint or a handout? Why?
- 7. When do you introduce your thesis in your PowerPoint or handout?
- 8. Does your presentation have a clear structure? Will you give a summary in the end?
- 9. Have you considered possible questions or objections your audience may rise during Q&A? How would you respond to them?
- 10. Have you practice your presentation at least once either by yourself or in front of your friend(s) to make sure the presentation is not too short or too long (but about 15-20 minutes)?