## ISS 305:001 Fall 2017 Study Guide for Exam 1

Below is a list of terms/concepts that you should be familiar with for the Exam on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. **Please note that the list is not exhaustive.** You should be familiar with your lecture notes and the assigned readings. Some tips: Study hard – go over the notes carefully (most of the questions will be drawn from lecture material) and be familiar with all readings. Study smart – know key concepts. Get a good night's sleep before the exam.

## **Intro to ISS 305 (11 Questions on the Exam)**

- The Dennis Adams and 98.6 illustrations
- Critical thinking
- Candide, Skeptic, skeptic / Eyewitness testimony and juries
- Objectivity
- Curiosity
- Assertions vs. Arguments
- Deductive arguments (valid and invalid)
- Affirming the Antecedent / Denying the Consequent
- Affirming the Consequent / Denying the Antecedent
- Inductive argument
- 2 modes of thinking/evaluating Thoughtful vs. Heuristics

## **Fallacies (20 questions on the Exam)**

• Deductive Fallacies

| Fallacies of relevance                | <b>Component fallacies</b>                     | Fallacies of ambiguity          |
|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 1) Ad Hominem (Praise the person)     | 9) False Dichotomy                             | 14) Equivocation                |
| 2) Genetic (Converse)                 | 10) If I feel it, it must be true (Converse)   | 15) Composition Fallacy         |
| 3) Appeal to (Questionable) Authority | 11) Begging the Question (Langer et al., 1978) | 16) Division/Ecological Fallacy |
| 4) Bandwagon                          | 12) Irrelevant Thesis                          |                                 |
| 5) Past Practice (Tradition)          | 13) Straw Man                                  | Fallacies of omission           |
| 6) Poisoning the Well                 |  | 17) Appeal to Ignorance         |
| 7) Two wrongs make a right            |  | 18) Loaded Question             |
| 8) Appeal to Fear/Force/Emotions      |  |                                 |
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- Inductive Fallacies Faulty analogy/comparison; Hasty generalization; False cause
- Nominal Fallacy
- Consequence-Intentionality Fallacy
- Confirmation Bias
- Reification error
- Fundamental Attribution Error
- Hindsight Bias

## **Empirical Statements and Arguments (19 questions on the Exam)**

- Four basic cannons of science
- Positive Test Bias
- Falsification
- Empirical Statements
- Analytic Statements

- Value Statements
- Attitude Statements
- Metaphysical Statements
- Operational Definition