

Phil 245 (), 3 credits, Semester:

Social Justice

Instructor:

e-mail:

Time:

Location:

Catalog Description

This course will provide an overview of social justice topics including: poverty, unemployment, the welfare state, racial discrimination, gender discrimination, and income inequality. The readings for the course will include contemporary philosophic, sociological, and economic writings. Contemporary data sources will also be utilized.

Discipline Specific Learning Outcomes

Upon completing this course, students will be able to (i) describe different philosophy schools of thought concerning distribution and justice, (ii) identify the major stages in social and economic developments of the recent past, (iii) compare the origin, history, and results of different kinds of welfare state interventions, (iv) use national and international public data sources effectively, (v) compare the social and economic position of people of different national, ethnic, racial, class, and gender backgrounds, (vi) analyze possible interventions into social and economic situations to alleviate suffering and inequality, (vii) explain their own reactions to the ideas presented, and (viii) evaluate other people's reactions to and commentaries on these ideas.

General Education Information

Successfully completing this course satisfies one Tier 2 Social and Historical Perspectives requirement. It teaches the following two University-wide Learning Goals: (1) Information and Technological Literacy, (2) Written Communication. For further information about the General Education Program see <http://www.njcu.edu/cas/general-education/>.

NJCU Policies

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