## PHIL2202 Symbolic Logic 符號邏輯

#### **Course Outline**

Time: M 10:30am-1:15pm Location: LSK 301

### Course overview (as shown on CUSIS)

This is an intermediate-level course in formal logic, concentrating on various logics beyond standard first-order logic. The course will cover both model-theoretic approaches and proof-theoretic approaches to these systems, including non-classical propositional/predicate logics, propositional modal logics, and first-order modal logics. A small amount of metalogic will be covered too.

Advisory to Majors: to be taken in year 2 or above.

Also, students will need to **spend 5-10 hours per week** on required reading and weekly assignment. Please take the expected workload into account when deciding whether to enroll into this course. Students should also bear in mind that **the aim of the lectures** is to help them understand Sider's textbook better when they **re-read** it after class, as it could be very difficult to absorb every content covered in the class if what you do is only (i) to listen to the lectures, or/and (ii) to read the required reading just once.

#### Learning outcomes (as shown on CUSIS)

- 1. Grasp concepts and methods in intermediate-level logic.
- 2. Understand the philosophical significance of modern logic.
- 3. Ability to construct formal systems of propositional and predicate logic.
- 4. Ability to analyze and critically evaluate formal systems.
- 5. Understand the characteristics and value of these different formal systems.

### **Topics**

- 1. Basic concepts: logical and set-theoretic
- 2. Various propositional logics
- 3. Various predicate logics
- 4. Modal logics

### Learning activities

- 1. Lecture: 2 hours per week
- 2. Tutorial (Review of Weekly Assignment): 1 hour per week
- 3. Reading: 3-5 hours per week
- 4. Written Assignments: 30 mins per week (for all required exercises) or 3-5 hours per week (for all required and optional exercises)

#### Assessment scheme as prescribed on CUSIS (revise if necessary)

Task nature	Description	Weight
Assignments	5% for each assignment	50%
Exams	25% for each exam	50%

# **Grade Descriptor**

Please refer to: http://phil.arts.cuhk.edu.hk/~phidept/UG/Grade\_descriptors.pdf

# **Recommended learning resources**

Sider, Theodore, 2010, Logic for Philosophy, Oxford: Oxford University Press. (Henceforth: "LfP".)

## **Course schedule**

Week	Topics	Required reading	Tutorial	Remarks
Week 1 6 Jan	Introduction	LfP, Ch.1 (Esp. 1.5 and the former part of 1.8, i.e. before page 17)		
Week 2 13 Jan	Standard Propositional Logic: Model Theory, Axiomatic System, Metalogic, and Induction	LfP, 2.1-2.4; 2.6; 2.7*	Review of Assignment for Week 1	
Week 3 20 Jan	Standard Predicate Logic: Model Theory, Axiomatic System, and Metalogic	LfP, 4.1-4.4; 4.5*	Review of Assignment for Week 2	
Week 4 27 Jan	Beyond Standard Propositional Logic	LfP, 3.1; 3.3-3.4	Review of Assignment for Week 3	
3 Feb	No Class: Lunar New Year			
Week 5 10 Feb	Identity Predicate, Definite Descriptions, λ-abstraction, and Free Logic	LfP, 5.1; 5.3.3; 5.5*; 5.6	Review of Assignment for Week 4	
Week 6 17 Feb	Modal Propositional Logic: Model Theory I	LfP, 6.1-6.3.1	Review of Assignment for Week 5	
Week 7 24 Feb	Modal Propositional Logic: Model Theory II	LfP, 6.3.2-6.3.3	Review of Assignment for Week 6	
3 Mar	No Class: Reading Week			
Week 8 10 Mar	Midterm Exam	Scope: Weeks 1-5		
Week 9 17 Mar	Modal Propositional Logic: Proof Systems and Metalogic	LfP, 6.4; 6.5*	Review of Assignment for Week 7	
Week 10 24 Mar	Modal Propositional Logic: Applications	LfP, 7.1-7.3	Review of Assignment for Week 9	
Week 11 31 Mar	Modal Quantified Logic: Model Theory and Proof System	LfP, 9.1-9.7	Review of Assignment for Week 10	
Week 12 7 Apr	Higher-Order Logic	Sider's Handout	Review of Assignment for Week 11	Non-examinable
Week 13 14 Apr	Final Exam	Scope: Weeks 6-7; Weeks 9-11		

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