

FYPL - First-Year Seminar PHIL

Courses numbered 100 to 299 = *lower-division*; 300 to 499 = *upper-division*; 500 to 799 = *undergraduate/graduate*.

FYPL 102A. First-Year Seminar: Law (3).

General education humanities course. This course is a first-year seminar on law in which students take a broad interdisciplinary approach to U.S. law. Domains of law such as constitutional law, tort law and criminal law are introduced. Covers legal procedures, argumentation and reasoning. Cases and current events are used to illustrate basic concepts and raise philosophical issues. International law and comparison with other legal systems may be used to provide context and perspective. First-Year Seminars apply as an additional requirement in the WSU General Education program; they cannot be applied as a divisional requirement. *Course includes diversity content.*

FYPL 102S. First-Year Seminar: On Humor (3).

General education humanities course. Seminar on humor which takes a broad interdisciplinary approach to humor. Along the way, participants philosophize all the funny out of humor, muck into the politics of the absurd and get down to some funny business. Is humor quintessentially human? Is someone's bank balance a joke? Does laughing at fart jokes demonstrate poor character? The course asks all these questions and more, but answers none! Warning: the professor is not funny. Side effects are typically mild to moderate. First-Year Seminars apply as an additional requirement in the WSU General Education program; they cannot be applied as a divisional requirement. *Course includes diversity content.*