

# Fall 2019

## School of Philosophy

### Ph.D. Reading List Exams

Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

DAY 1: 9 am - 1 pm, Location TBA

DAY 2: 9 am - 1 pm, Location TBA

2019-20 PH.D. READING LIST COMMITTEE  
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The deadline to register for the exam is Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Late registrations will not be accepted. To register, please e-mail [ocommrcm@cua.edu](mailto:ocommrcm@cua.edu) with the list in question. Past exams are available on the website.

## FAQs:

1. I've heard that we now only have two lists to choose from rather than three. If I've taken a previous exam in the old format and I was preparing to take the exam for a now old list, what does this mean for me? For the 2019-2020 academic year *only*, those who have previously passed a Reading List Exam in the old format are allowed to choose from the three old exams when taking their second exam. *Everyone else* is required to follow the new format.

2. I plan to take the exam this semester, but I'm not registered for PHIL 998A/B Doctoral Comps in Cardinal Station ... what should I do? If possible, register before add/drop deadline on September 6<sup>th</sup>. To register either before or after the deadline, please email [ocommrcm@cua.edu](mailto:ocommrcm@cua.edu) so she can give you the appropriate permissions to register.

**Regarding Fail Attempts:** If you are registered but decide not to take the exam, this will not count as one of your two permitted attempts. However, if you decide not to take the exam after registering to do so, please email [ocommrcm@cua.edu](mailto:ocommrcm@cua.edu) prior to the exam registration deadline.

3. Should I register for 998A, Doctoral Comps with Classes, or 998B, Doctoral Comps without Classes? Please note that, 99 times out of 100, the answer is 998A, even if you have finished coursework. This is because Cardinal Station counts PHIL 996, Dissertation Research, as a "class." 998B is used in rare occasions for students not enrolled at the School of Philosophy and thus incurs a tuition charge. If you have any questions about which section to enroll in, please email Carly Henderson.

4. I'm registered for PHIL 998A/B but I no longer plan to take the exam ... what should I do? In order for a course NOT to show up on your transcript, you must drop it by the add/drop deadline for that semester. After that, you are still able to withdraw by the withdrawal deadline for that semester, and will receive a "W" on your transcript. If you do nothing at all, then your grade for PHIL 998 will be recorded as "NG"

5. I have a text I've been studying from, but it isn't on the list of approved editions. I can make a really good case for why I should still be allowed to use it. Who has the power to approve my request to use this text on exam day? If you're taking list I, speak with the list I graders; if you're taking list II, speak with the list II graders; if you're taking list III, speak with the list III graders, and the earlier, the better!

6. **How do I get special accommodations for the exam?** Please contact Disability Support Services to make arrangements. You can find more information on their website: <http://dss.cua.edu>
  
7. **I have a different question that isn't answered above; where can I find the answer to that?** Just contact the Dean's Office!