

Philosophy 366/717: Contemporary Metaphysics II

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I. Description and Readings

This semester we will be reading David Lewis's *Parts of Classes* (Oxford: Blackwell, 1991). The book is out of print (it is the only one of his nine books that is not in print). It will be available somehow. Other readings will be made available to you as necessary. A schedule will be posted and updated on the course webpage. You will be expected to have done the readings before class and to bring the relevant texts with you.

II. Requirements

The course grade will be based on one seminar paper (10-15 pages), which will be due at the end of the semester.

Participation can help (but not hurt) your grade.

I must approve the topic of your seminar paper. In addition, you will be required to meet with me at least twice during the semester: once, by the end of February, to discuss your topic; and again, by the end of March, to discuss your progress.

III. A Warning about Academic Dishonesty

It is difficult to overstate the importance of academic honesty. If you are unsure about what counts as academic dishonesty (e.g. plagiarism) or about how to cite sources, ask. You are responsible for knowing the University of Manitoba regulations. Start by consulting the General Academic Regulations and Requirements, particularly Section 7 (Academic Integrity).