Kennesaw State University

LOGIC 2300  Tuesday & Thursday  12:30 – 1:45 am  Dr. T. H. White

Spring 2011 Syllabus

TEXT: Sweet Reason, 2nd edition, Henle, Garfield & Tymoczko

1. Of the text we should expect to cover all twelve chapters. Due to the nature of logic the chapters will be studied in sequential order. Lectures will follow the text very closely; therefore you will need to bring the textbook to class everyday. Other than Henle no other text is required. Units 1 and 2 will be covered on the first test; units 4, 5, the next test. Thereafter each two chapters will have its own test with some material from each of the twelve chapters on the final exam.

2. Appointments must be arranged. Best time to see me is right before or after class. I am on campus Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Arrange a meeting by speaking directly with me before or after class, by leaving a note in my departmental mailbox or by speaking with the secretaries, Gail or Megan in the History and Philosophy Department, Social Science Bldg, 4th floor. (770) 423-6432.

3. Tests will be graded on a numerical basis and there should be at least four or five of them before the final exam. A missed test must be promptly made up but not later than one week from when the class takes it. All tests require all your work to be shown or you jeopardize receiving credit. Each test will take the full class period. In addition to chapter tests there will be a few very short (ten-twelve minute) optional brainteasers. Whereas tests can be made up, brainteasers cannot. Brainteaser points earned will simply be added to your last test grade for grade calculation purposes. Bainteasers will vary in points (depending on difficulty) but no one brainteaser will be worth more than five points. As we go along you will see how the brainteasers supplement the textbook.

4. From time to time and at my discretion some homework will be collected, graded and returned. No extra credit projects will be assigned or accepted.

5. Attendance will be taken at every class meeting by signature collection. Four unexplained absences will be tolerated. Five absences will result in a course grade of “F”. I cannot emphasize too strongly the need to be present every class day and keep abreast of the readings. The correlation between poor attendance and poor academic performance in logic is something you should not take likely.
6. Please abide by the integrity statement (as published in the Student Handbook) at all times. Any infractions thereof will be dealt with according to policies spelled out there.

7. Plagiarism and Cheating: No student shall receive, attempt to receive, knowingly give or attempt to give unauthorized assistance in the preparation of any work required to be submitted for credit (including examinations, laboratory reports, essays, themes, term papers, etc.). Unless specifically authorized, the presence and/or use of electronic devices during an examination, quiz or other class assignment is considered cheating. Engaging in any behavior which a professor prohibits as academic misconduct in the syllabus or in class discussion is cheating. When direct quotations are used, they should be indicated, and when the ideas, theories, data, figures, graphs, programs, electronic based information or illustrations of someone other than the student are incorporated into a paper or used in a project, they should be duly acknowledged. No student may submit the same, or substantially the same, paper or other assignment for credit in more than one class without the prior permission of the current professor(s).

8. For academic and emergency purposes contact me at: twhte42@kennesaw.edu. Your emails will come directly to me at my home office.