

Department of Philosophy
University of Western Ontario
Philosophy 154E 'Asian Philosophies'
Tentative Reading List for the Second Term *

1st week (**Jan. 6th and 8th**) The Four Noble Truths: **AP4** Chp.12 (pp.155-64); **BS** Chp.2, pp. 49-57, 60-64, 186-87.

2nd week (**Jan. 13th and 15th**) Some more basic Buddhist teaching: **BS** pp.55-56, 93-96, 146-62, 187-89; **AP4** Chp.13, pp.167-75; **CP** pp.125-30.

3rd week (**Jan. 20th and 22nd**) Some basic Buddhist moral philosophy: *Dhammapada* Chapters 1, 5-7, 9, 10, 12, 14 -20, 24 -26 (recommended reading – **CP** pp.83-90).**

4th week (**Jan. 27th and 29th**) *Prajnaparamita* Tradition: **AP4** Chp.15; **BS** pp.162-68.

5th week (**Feb. 3rd and 5th**) A *brief* look at Madhyamaka; A *brief* look at Yogacara: **AP4** Chp.16 (recommended reading – **CP** pp. 103-110); **AP4** Chp.17.**

6th week (**Feb. 10th and 12th**) Women and Buddhism; Confucius: **CP** pp.135-149; **AP4** Chp.20 pp.270-81 (*recommended* reading – **AP4** Chp.19).

7th week (**Feb. 17th and 19th**) Confucius continued: **AP4** Chp.20 pp.270-81; **CP** pp.151-70.

8th week (**Feb. 24th and 26th**): **Conference week.**

9th week (**Mar. 2nd and 4th**) Women and Confucianism; Lao Tzu (*Philosophical* Taoism): **CP** pp.171-79; **AP4** Chp.21 pp. 287-93.

10th week (**Mar. 9th and 11th**) Lao Tzu (*Philosophical* Taoism): *Tao Te Ching* (Chps.1-5, 9-20, 22, 25, 27-32, 34).

11th week (**Mar. 16th and 18th**) Lao Tzu (*Philosophical* Taoism): *Tao Te Ching* (Chps.35, 37-38, 42, 44-49, 53, 55-57, 60-61, 63-64, 66-67, 69, 74-77, 81).

12th week (**Mar. 23rd and 25th**) Women and Taoism; A *brief* look at Zen Buddhism: **CP** pp.181-91; **AP4** Chp.18; **CP** pp.111-16.

13th week (**Mar. 30th and April 1st**); Asian philosophies and the Martial Arts: **CP** pp.195-205 and class handout on Sun Tzu's *The Art of War*.

14th week (**April 6th and 8th**); Overflow and review.

Legend:

AP4: *Asian Philosophies*, 4th Edition. **BS:** *Buddhist Scriptures*. **CP:** *Course Pack*.

***I reserve the right to make changes to the readings given sufficient prior notice (e.g. a week in advance).**

****May be dropped from our discussion if we get too far behind.**