



Department of Philosophy

Spring 2024 Courses

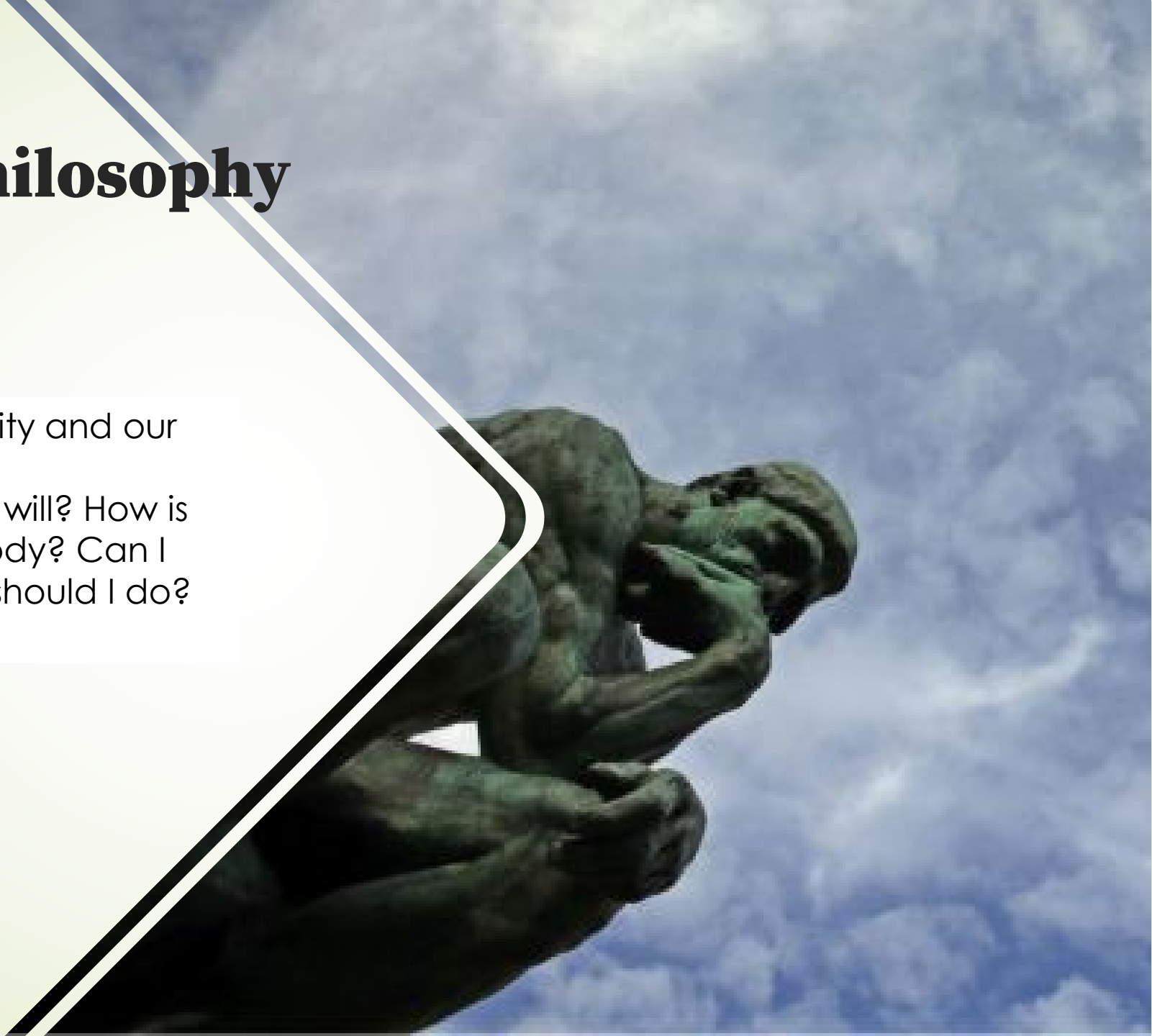
Philosophy 101

Introduction to Philosophy

▶ ACE 5 Humanities

▶ ACE 8 Civic/Ethics/Stewardship

- Fundamental questions about reality and our place in it, such as:
- Does God exist? Do we have free will? How is my mind related to my physical body? Can I know anything for certain? What should I do? How can I tell right from wrong?



PHIL 106

Philosophy and Current Issues

- CAS Diversity in the US
- ACE 8 Civic/Ethics/Stewardship
- ACE 9 Global/Diversity

- Critical survey of current issues.
- How can philosophy attempt to resolve them?
- Recent topics include: sexual morality, pornography, capital punishment, sexism, racism, end of life, abortion, animal rights, war, and civil disobedience.

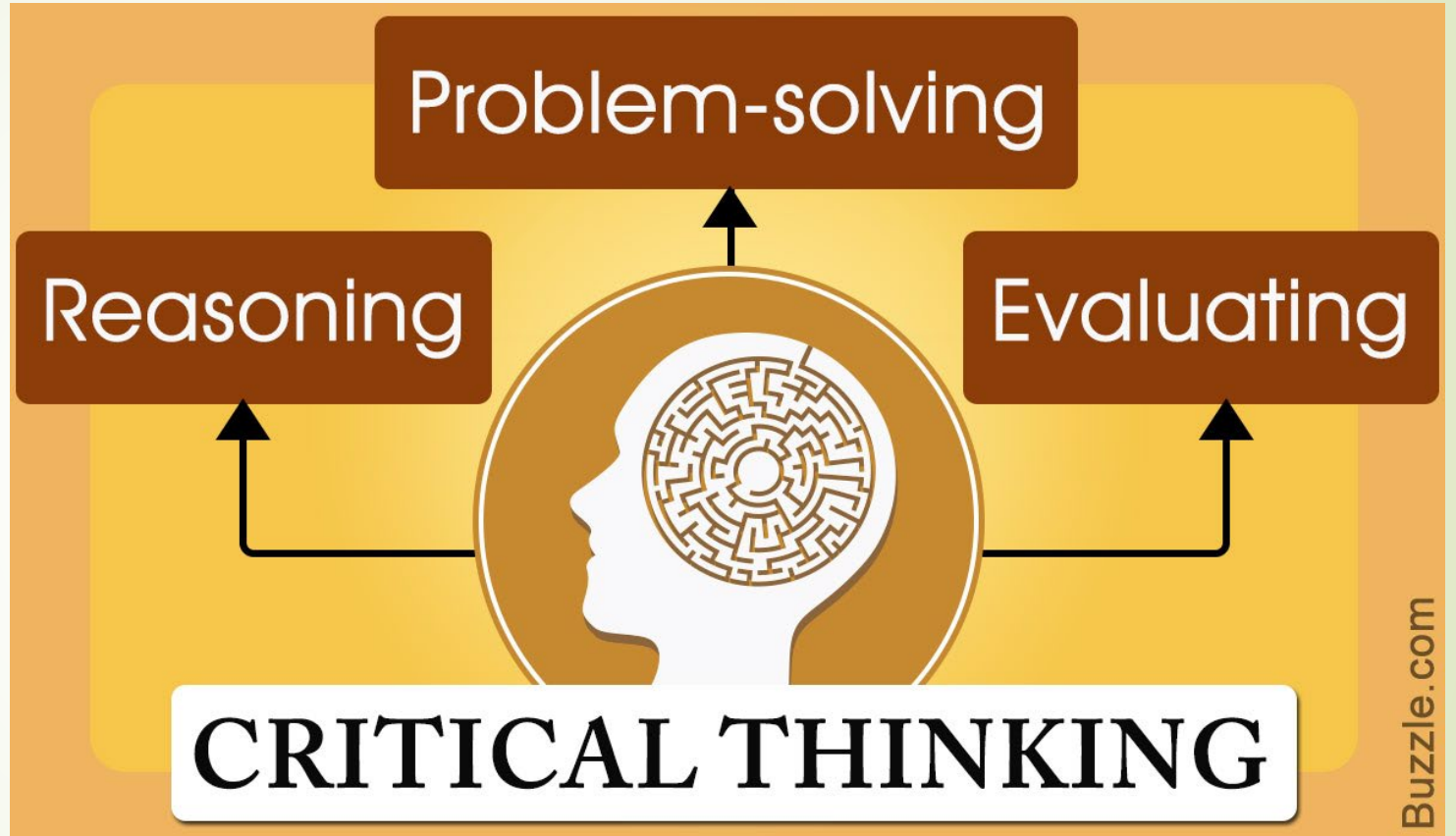


Philosophy 110

Logic and Critical Thinking

➤ ACE 3 Math/Stat/Reasoning

- An introduction to the principles of formal reasoning and their application
- Emphasis on improving skills of critical thinking, analyzing and evaluating arguments objectively
- Constructing sound arguments based on relevant evidence



Philosophy 221

Political Philosophy

- ACE 5 Humanities
- ACE 8 Civic/Ethics/Stewardship

Basic concepts and problems of political theory: freedom, equality, democracy, justice, and the relation of the individual to the state.



Philosophy 230

Philosophy of Law

► ACE 5 Humanities

► ACE 8 Civic/Ethics/Stewardship

- Philosophical problems of law and legal systems.
- Includes legal reasoning, judicial interpretation, legal language and definition, legal obligation, law and morality, and legal paternalism.
- Concepts: law, constitutionality, legislative intent, fair trial, criminal responsibility, punishment, fault, and strict liability.
- Applications to social issues of individual freedom, human rights, privacy, discrimination, and justice.

Philosophy 232-PW1

History of Philosophy (Modern)

- ▶ Ace 5 Humanities
- ▶ 3 week Spring pre-session course

Survey of the more important systems in Western philosophy in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries with emphasis on historical connections and the critical interpretation of texts.



Philosophy 305

Philosophy of Language

► ACE 5 Humanities

Major themes and classic texts in philosophy of language.

The notion of meaning and its relation to

- Reference
- Truth
- The use of expressions



Philosophy 338

Metaphysics: Ancient & Medieval

► ACE 5 Humanities

Are humans bodies, or immaterial souls, or both? We'll discuss classical and medieval European answers, focusing on understanding the theories and developing students' ability to read difficult texts.

