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授業科目名 <英訳>	Ethics I-E2 Ethics I-E2			担当者所属 職名・氏名	文学研究科　講師　Campbell, Michael		
群	人文・社会科学科目群	分野(分類)	哲学・思想(基礎)		使用言語	英語	
旧群	A群	単位数	2単位	週コマ数	1コマ	授業形態	講義（対面授業科目）
開講年度・開講期	2026・後期	曜時限	水4	配当学年	主として1・2回生	対象学生	全学向

[授業の概要・目的]

Value, Meaning, and the Shape of a Life

What makes something valuable?
How do norms, ideals, and social expectations shape our judgments and actions?
How do people make sense of their lives in the face of conflict, loss, regret, and hope?

This course introduces philosophical reflection on value, meaning, and normativity as they arise in human life. Rather than treating values as abstract objects or fixed rules, we will examine how practices of evaluation are embedded in action, social life, and self-understanding. Particular attention will be paid to how character is formed and assessed, how social norms and relations with others shape responsibility and recognition, and how perception and attention influence what matters to us.

The course explores how values are expressed, challenged, and revised over time, and how individuals make sense of their lives through patterns of action, response, and reflection. Drawing on examples from personal life, shared practices, and everyday decision-making, students will encounter influential ideas from twentieth- and twenty-first-century philosophy that continue to shape contemporary debates about value, meaning, responsibility, and transformation.

No prior knowledge of philosophy is assumed. Lectures will use PowerPoint. Each class will consist of approximately 60 minutes of lecture followed by group discussion and the use of a shared document to facilitate interaction. Active participation during the lectures is encouraged.

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By the end of this course, students will be able to:

Understand central philosophical questions about value, normativity, and meaning

Distinguish different kinds of value, reasons, and norms that structure human life

Reflect critically on concepts such as justice, character, regret, hope, and responsibility

Develop skills in philosophical reasoning, interpretation, and discussion

Apply philosophical ideas about value and meaning to concrete examples from everyday life

[授業計画と内容]

1-2. Introduction: Value and normativity
What is value?
Norms, evaluation, and justification

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3-4. Reasons and ideals
Different kinds of reasons
Ideals and forms of life

5-6. Character and the evaluation of a life
Character, commitment, and responsibility
Evaluating actions and evaluating lives

7-8. Social norms, responsibility, and recognition
Norms, expectations, and social practices
Responsibility, blame, and recognition

9-10. Vision and attention
Seeing, noticing, and salience
The role of attention in ethical life

11-12. Meaning, regret, and hope
Making sense of things
Orientations towards the past and the future

13-14. Change, conflict, and transformation
Value conflict and tragedy
Revision, loss, and growth

15. Feedback class

[履修要件]

A good level of English comprehension (listening, reading and writing) is recommended for this course. No previous knowledge of philosophy is presumed, though familiarity with the background concepts of the discipline will be an advantage. All texts will be provided in advance.

[成績評価の方法・観点]

Students will be expected to write a short reflection after each class. These will be worth a total of 60% of the grade. The final 40% will be determined by a short essay submitted online at the end of the semester.

[教科書]

Relevant texts for the seminar will be made available on LMS in advance

[授業外学修（予習・復習）等]

Texts to be read for class will be uploaded to LMS in advance. Each week students should expect to read a small amount of philosophy in English.

[その他（オフィスアワー等）]

Communication via email and LMS. Instructors office hours to be found on KULASIS or by enquiry.

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