This course examines some major themes of Hegel's philosophy, with emphasis on his social and political thought. Topics include Hegel's critique of Kant, the possibility of metaphysics, the master-slave dialectic, and the role of freedom in Hegel's account of a rational society. Readings from Kant's Third Critique will help to explain how Hegel's project develops out of Kant's transcendental idealism. Some knowledge of Kant's moral theory and his Critique of Pure Reason is presupposed. Prerequisite: at least one of PHIL 2201, 2301, or 3251.

**Required primary texts:** Ordered at Book Culture, W. 112th St.
———, *Elements of the Philosophy of Right*, H.B. Nisbet, trans. (Cambridge) (= PhR)
[The translation of *The Philosophy of Right* by T.M. Knox (Oxford) is also acceptable.]
Kant, Immanuel, *Critique of Judgment*, W. S. Pluhar, trans. (Hackett) (= CJ)

**Course requirements:**
- Two papers:  
  i) 6-7 pages, due Monday, October 24, 5:00 p.m.  
  ii) 8-10 pages, due Thursday, December 13, 5:00 p.m.  
- One take-home midterm, due Thursday, October 11, 5:00 p.m. (handed out October 3)  
- One final exam, Wednesday, December 19, 9:00 a.m.-noon  
- Attendance of all lectures