Preliminary Examination Reading List (in effect summer 2012)

Philip Wheelwright, *Presocratics*

Plato, *Protagoras, Meno, Phaedo, Symposium, Phaedrus; Republic, Sophist, Parmenides* (to 137), *Timaeus* (to 54 c)

Aristotle, *Metaphysics, Categories; Physics I-II; De Anima, Nicomachean Ethics; Politics*

Epicurus, *Letter to Menoeceus, Principle Doctrines, Vatican Sayings*

Lucretius, *On the Nature of Things*

Seneca, *Letters from a Stoic, De tranquilitate (On the Tranquility of the Mind)*

Sextus Empiricus, *Outlines of Pyrrhonism, Book I*


St. Augustine, *Confessions, Of Free Choice of the Will*

St. Anselm, *Proslogium; Reply to Gaunilo* (in Hyman and Walsh *Philosophy in the Middle Ages*, 3rd ed.)

*St. Thomas Aquinas, Summa Theologiae* (Chs. 39-43 in selections from Hyman, Walsh, and Williams, *Philosophy in the Middle Ages*, 3rd ed.)

Duns Scotus (Chs 46-47, 50 in Hyman, Walsh and Williams, selections from *Philosophy in the Middle Ages*, 3rd ed.)

Machiavelli, *The Prince*

Francis Bacon, *New Organon* (Aphorisms, Book I)

Thomas Hobbes, *Leviathan*, I-II

Rene Descartes, *Discourse on Method, Meditations; Objections IV* (Arnauld) & *Reply, Principles of Philosophy*, I

Baruch Spinoza, *Ethics*

G.W. Leibniz, *Monadology; Discourse on Metaphysics*

John Locke, *Essay Concerning Human Understanding, Second Treatise of Government*
George Berkeley, *Three Dialogues*

J.J. Rousseau, *First Discourse, Discourse on Inequality, Social Contract*

David Hume, *Enquiry concerning Human Understanding; Enquiry concerning the Principles of Morals; Treatise of Human Nature, Book I*

Immanuel Kant, *The Critique of Pure Reason; Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Morals, Critique of Judgment, Part I*

G.W.F. Hegel, *The Phenomenology of Spirit, The Philosophy of Right, (Introduction); Lectures on the Philosophy of Fine Art, (Introduction)*

F.W.J. Schelling, *Philosophical Investigations into the Essence of Human Freedom*


John Stuart Mill, *Utilitarianism; On Liberty*

Soren Kierkegaard, *Fear and Trembling*

Friedrich Nietzsche, *The Birth of Tragedy; The Genealogy of Morals*


William James, *Pragmatism, The Will to Believe*


Jane Addams, *Democracy and Social Ethics*

Alfred North Whitehead, *Adventures of Ideas*

Susanne Langer, *Philosophy in a New Key*

Gottlob Frege, “On Sense and Reference”

Bertrand Russell, “The Philosophy of Logical Atomism” (in *Logic and Knowledge*).

Gilbert Ryle, *The Concept of Mind*

W.V. Quine, “Two Dogmas of Empiricism”


Martin Heidegger, *Being and Time; Basic Writings.*

Maurice Merleau-Ponty, *Phenomenology of Perception*

Walter Benjamin, “The Work of Art in the Age of Mechanical Reproduction”

Simone de Beauvoir, *The Ethics of Ambiguity*

Sigmund Freud, *Civilization and Its Discontents*

Max Horkheimer and Theodor Adorno, “The Culture Industry” in *Dialectic of Enlightenment*

Hannah Arendt, *The Human Condition*