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COURSE DESCRIPTION

MALS 600 (core course): Nature and Human Nature

This course will explore how we have explained to ourselves both what we are and what the world is ranging from Aristotle to the present.

Readings:

Aristotle, *Physics*. Trans. Richard Hope (Univ. of Nebraska Press)

Aristotle, *Metaphysics*. Trans. Montgomery Furth (Hackett Publishers)

Lucretius, *The Way Things Are: The De Rerum Natura of Titus Lucretius Carus*. Trans. Rolfe Humphries (Indiana University Press)

Ralph Waldo Emerson, *Five Essays on Man and Nature*. Ed. Robert E. Spiller (Harlan Davidson Publishers)

Plato, *Republic*. Trans. Benjamin Jowett. (Airmont)

Thomas More, *Utopia*. Trans. Paul Turner (Penguin)

Galen, *On the Natural Faculties*. (Handouts in class)

William Harvey, *De Motu Cordis: Anatomical Studies on the Motion of the Heart and Blood*. Trans. Chauncey D. Leake, 5th Edition (C.C. Thomas Publishers)

Francis Bacon, *The Great Instauration and New Atlantis*. Ed. J. Weinberger (Harlan Davidson Publishers)

Francis Bacon, *The New Organon and Related Writings*. Ed. Fulton H. Anderson (Bobbs-Merrill Publishers)

Rene Descartes, *Discourse on Method and Meditations*. Trans. F.E. Sutcliffe (Penguin)

Charles Darwin, *On the Origin of Species: A Facsimile of the First Edition*. Ed. Ernst Mayr (Harvard University Press)

Richard Dawkins, *The Selfish Gene* (Oxford University Press)

Nancy Tuana, *The Less Mobile Sex* (Indiana University Press)

Stephen Jay Gould, *Mismeasure of Man* (Norton), 1983