

Philosophy 2330 Spring 2022  
Tutorial  
Due Monday/Tuesday, May 2/3

**Purpose:** The purpose of this tutorial is two-fold: First, the tutorial itself will be in an extended conversation with me and one or two of your classmates for forty-five minutes. This is good practice learning important philosophical skills – productive conversation and how to make joint progress on a question. Second, this is meant as direct preparation for your final paper. You will be forced to think about the paper in advance and you will have a chance to receive feedback to help improve your ideas.

**Task:** You are to produce a structured outline for your paper assignment and bring four copies of this outline to the tutorial. At minimum, your outline should consist in a clear thesis statement, a brief discussion/explanation of what your thesis statement means, a list of some reasons why someone should believe that your thesis is true that you plan to discuss, at least one reason someone might think that thesis is false, and a response these possible objections. **IN ADDITION** you should also upload your outline into Blackboard and I will provide written comments on it to help you turn your outline into a final paper.

**Criteria for success:** This tutorial/outline is optional and so is not graded. I believe doing this will help you produce a much better final paper and so improve your grade in the class. But it is not required. If you do commit to doing it, we will meet in PHIL 251B. You must bring four copies of your outline with you to the meeting (up to four depending on how many students are in the tutorial with you). If you cannot print copies of your outline, you must email your outline to me by the morning of your tutorial so that I can have printed copies ready for you.