Schedule of Lectures for
“The Philosophy of Charles Sanders Peirce”

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Notes on the Readings, and Caveats

Almost all the primary (required) readings can be found in the following two books:


I will annotate required reading with ‘[EP1]’ when it appears in *The Essential Peirce, Volume 1,* and ‘[EP2]’ for *The Essential Peirce, Volume 2.* Note that some of the readings in [EP1] appear also in Peirce (1991b) (*Peirce on Signs*). Almost all the required readings that appear in [EP1], moreover, can of course also be found in their original publications. See the bibliography entries for the original papers for DOIs and URLs.

*N.b.:* Some of the required and suggested readings are available online at the course’s website, though they may not be listed as such in the bibliography:

http://strangebeautiful.com/lmu/2020-summer-peirce.html

Most of the required and suggested readings are available online in the course’s shared Dropbox folder. Contact Dr. Curiel to get access to the folder.

Journal articles that are available through LMU’s online library system do not appear in either place. Many of the books are available through LMU’s electronic resources, especially those made available to us during the coronavirus pandemic, such as ProQuest Ebook Central and Cambridge University Press. As many of these latter won’t be available for long, make sure to try to find all the relevant readings on them sooner rather than later. Some of the books are also available on the Internet Archive.

Note that the section “General Suggested Reading” contains a list of general books on Peirce for suggested reading, including collections of essays, many of which do not appear in the list of suggested readings for any particular lecture.

I will be making changes to this schedule periodically, as I decide to change some required reading, find new suggested reading I think is good, change the schedule to reflect the facts on the ground, *etc.* Please check it on the website periodically, as that will always be the most up-to-date version.

Lecture 1: Introduction (21. Apr)

Required Reading


Suggested Reading

10. James (1975), *Pragmatism: A New Name for Some Old Ways of Thinking*: Lecture II

Lecture 2: Categories of Thought (28. Apr)

Required Reading


Strongly Suggested Reading

1. Kant (1929) or Kant (1998), *Critique of Pure Reason*: Preface to First Edition (pp. 7–16); Preface to Second Edition (pp. 17–38); Introduction, §§I–VII (pp. 41–64); Transcendental Aesthetic (pp. 65–91); Analytic of Concepts, ch. 1, §§1–3 (pp. 104–119); Analytic of Principles, Introduction, ch. 1, ch.2 §§1–3 and first part of §4 (pp. 176–243)

Suggested Reading on Peirce

4. **Hausman (2012)**, “Peirce’s Dynamical Object: Realism as Process Philosophy”
5. **Herbert (2015)**, “Peirce and the Final Opinion: Against Apel’s Transcendental Interpretation of the Categories”
7. **Misak (2015)**, “Peirce, Kant, and What We Must Assume”
9. **Savan (1988)**, *An Introduction to C. S. Peirce’s Full System of Semeiotic*: ch. II

Suggested Reading on Kant

1. **Allison (2004)**, *Kant’s Transcendental Idealism: An Interpretation and Defense*: passim
2. **Allison (2006)**, “A Priori”
3. **Cuffaro (2019)**, “Kantian and Neo-Kantian First Principles for Physical and Metaphysical Cognition”: §§1–4
4. Curiel, unpublished handwritten lecture notes on Kant’s *Critique of Pure Reason*
5. **Guyer (1987)**, *Kant and the Claims of Knowledge*: passim
8. **Kemp-Smith (1923)**, *Commentary to Kant’s Critique of Pure Reason*: passim

5. MAY: NO LECTURE (Dr. Curiel ill)

Lecture 3: Cognition, Part I (12. May); Part II (19. May)

Required Reading

1. **Peirce (1992m)**, “Questions Concerning Certain Faculties Claimed for Man” [EP1]
2. **Peirce (1992n)**, “Some Consequences of Four Incapacities” [EP1]

Suggested Reading

1. **Boler (1963)**, *Charles Peirce and Scholastic Realism: A Study of Peirce’s Relation to John Duns Scotus Hardcover*
2. **Calcaterra (2006)**, “Psychology and Anti-Psychologism in Peirce”
3. **Calcaterra (2014)**, “Testimony and the Self”
4. **Haack (1979)**, “Fallibilism and Necessity”
5. **Hausman (1993)**, *Charles S. Peirce’s Evolutionary Philosophy*: ch. 2
7. **Houser (2006)**, “Peirce’s Contrite Fallibilism”
8. **Lane (2017)**, *Peirce on Realism and Idealism*: ch. 4
9. **Linde and Nöth (2014)**, “A Note on Peirce’s Quotations of Persius’s Half-Line hoc loquor inde est”
10. **Margolis (1998)**, “Peirce’s Fallibilism”
11. **Margolis (2007)**, “Rethinking Peirce’s Fallibilism”
13. **Skagested (2004)**, “Peirce’s Semeiotic Model of the Mind”

Lecture 4: Signs, Part i (19. May); Part ii (26. May); Part iii (9. Jun)

Required Reading


Suggested Reading

3. Goodman (1972), “Seven Strictures on Similarity”
4. Greenlee (1973), Peirce’s Concept of Sign
5. Hausman (1993), Charles S. Peirce’s Evolutionary Philosophy: ch. 2
8. Kevelson (1987), Charles S. Peirce’s Method of Methods
10. Martin (1980), Peirce’s Logic of Relations and Other Studies

2. JUN: NO LECTURE (PFINGSTDIENSTAG)


Required Reading


Suggested Reading

2. Peirce (unpublished), “Reason’s Conscience: A Practical Treatise on the Theory of Discovery; Wherein Logic is conceived as Semeiotic”
5. Greenlee (1973), Peirce’s Concept of Sign


Lecture 6: The Fixation of Belief, Part I (23. Jun); Part II (30. Jun)

Required Reading

Suggested Reading
1. Peirce (1993), Reasoning and the Logic of Things: Lecture Seven “Habit”

Lecture 7: How to Make Our Ideas Clear, Part I (30. Jun); Part II (7. Jul)

Required Reading

Suggested Reading

Lecture 8: The Doctrine of Chances (14. Jul)

Required Reading


Suggested Reading

1. Peirce (2014b), “Essays toward the Interpretation of Our Thoughts”
7. Shook (2014), “Reasoning is Communal in Method and Spirit”

Lecture 9: Middle Period Epistemology and Metaphysics (21. Jul)


Required Reading


Suggested Reading

3. Forster (2011), Peirce and the Threat of Nominalism: ch. 10
5. Hausman (1993), Charles S. Peirce’s Evolutionary Philosophy: ch. 4
6. Lane (2017), Peirce on Realism and Idealism, ch. 7


Required Reading


Suggested Reading

1. Peirce (1997), Pragmatism As a Principle and Method of Right Thinking: The 1903 Harvard Lectures on Pragmatism: “Lecture Two: Phenomenology or The Doctrine of Categories, Part A: Mathematics as a Basis of Logic (Draft One)” (pp. 123–129); “Lecture Two: Part A: Mathematics as a Basis of Logic (Draft Two)” (pp. 129–139); “Lecture Two: Part B: On Phenomenology (Draft One)” (pp. 139–150); “Lecture Two: Part B: On Phenomenology (Draft Two)” (pp. 150–161); “Lecture Two: Part B: On Phenomenology, or The Categories (Draft Three)” (pp. 161–165)
3. Boler (1963), Charles Peirce and Scholastic Realism: A Study of Peirce’s Relation to John Duns Scotus Hardcover
11. Lane (2017), Peirce on Realism and Idealism, ch. 2
15. Savan (1988), An Introduction to C. S. Peirce’s Full System of Semeiotic: ch. 1
19. Turrisi (1997): Introduction (pp. 1–20); Commentary on Lectures 1–2 (pp. 23–48)

Lecture 11: Metaphysics, Morals and Reasoning (DATE TBD)

Required Reading

Suggested Reading

2. Boler (1963), Charles Peirce and Scholastic Realism: A Study of Peirce’s Relation to John Duns Scotus Hardcover
14. Lane (2017), Peirce on Realism and Idealism, ch. 3
15. Oleksy (2015), Realism and Individualism: Charles S. Peirce and the Threat of Modern Nominalism

Lecture 12: Meaning and Truth; Pragmatism and Abduction (4. Aug)

Required Reading

2. Peirce (1903c), “Pragmatism as the Logic of Induction” [EP2]

Suggested Reading

4. Peirce (shed), “Reason’s Conscience: A Practical Treatise on the Theory of Discovery; Wherein Logic is conceived as Semeiotic”
17. Lane (2017), Peirce on Realism and Idealism, ch. 1
22. Turrisi (1997): Commentary on Lecture 6 (pp. 77–88); Commentary on Lecture 7 (pp. 89–98)

FINAL PAPER DUE: 30. Sep 2020


General Suggested Reading

The following are general books and collections of essays on Peirce’s thought.

2. Anderson and Hausman (2012), Conversations on Peirce: Reals and Ideals
4. Atkin (2016), Peirce
6. Boersma (2009), Pragmatism and Reference
11. Eames (1977), Pragmatic Naturalism: An Introduction
12. Fabbrichesi and Marietti (2006), Semiotics and Philosophy in Charles Sanders Peirce
15. Hookway (2012c), The Pragmatic Maxim: Essays on Peirce and Pragmatism
17. Misak (2004a), The Cambridge Companion to Peirce
18. Misak (2007), New Pragmatists
20. Shook and Margolis (2006), A Companion to Pragmatism
21. Smyth (1997), Reading Peirce Reading
23. Thellefsen and Sørensen (2014), Charles Sanders Peirce in His Own Words: 100 Years of Semiotics, Communication and Cognition
24. de Waal and Skowronski (2012), The Normative Thought of Charles S. Peirce
25. Wiener and Young (2013), Studies in the Philosophy of Charles Sanders Peirce

References


Peirce, C. S. (1992o). What is a sign? See Peirce (1992d), Chapter 2, pp. 4–10. Unpublished manuscript, written in 1894, was originally the first chapter of a planned book entitled *The Art of Reasoning*, but was then turned into the second chapter of Peirce’s planned multi-volume work *How to Reason: A Critick of Arguments* (also known as *Grand Logic*).


