

**HUMAN 26 Course Outline as of Fall 2022****CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: HUMAN 26 Title: FRIENDSHIP

Full Title: Friendship

Last Reviewed: 3/8/2021

Units	Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks		Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

**Catalog Description:**

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**Prerequisites/Corequisites:****Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent or appropriate placement based on AB705 mandates

**Limits on Enrollment:**

## Schedule of Classes Information:

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Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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## ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

<b>AS Degree:</b>	<b>Area</b>			<b>Effective:</b>	<b>Inactive:</b>
	E	Humanities		Fall 2022	
	H	Global Perspective and Environmental Literacy			
<b>CSU GE:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>			<b>Effective:</b>	<b>Inactive:</b>
	C2	Humanities		Fall 2022	
<b>IGETC:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>			<b>Effective:</b>	<b>Inactive:</b>
	3B	Humanities		Fall 2022	
<b>CSU Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 2022	Inactive:	
<b>UC Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 2022	Inactive:	

**CID:**

**Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Major Applicable Course

## COURSE CONTENT

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Describe the different meanings and forms of friendships across different cultures and historical time periods.
2. Discuss the theoretical foundations and the material habits, rituals and practices that are expressions of friendship.
3. Explain how friendship is necessary for democracy.

**Objectives:**

Students will be able to:

1. Identify instances of friendship through various cultures and historical time periods.

2. Explain the role of friendship in wider and wider circles encompassing personal, familial, intimate and communal relationships.
3. Analyze the role of friendships in maintaining social order and strengthening ties between individuals, communities, and nations, including political systems, most especially democracy.

### **Topics and Scope:**

#### I. Theoretical Foundations of Friendship

- A. Familial and familiar ties: sisterhood and brotherhood
- B. Friendship as the “ideal” human relationship
- C. Class and gender dimensions of friendship: private and domestic vs. public and collective
- D. Affective bonds of friendship: from survival to necessity to affection, love and action
- E. The ethics and moral imperative of friendship

#### II. Friendship, Self and Other (Selections from each)

- A. Friendship with one’s self
- B. Friendship with the “other”
- C. Friends vs. stranger
- D. Presentation of the self
- E. Collective representation

#### III. Friendship and Other Forms of Social Arrangements

- A. Contractual and Legal: Marriage, civil partnerships
- B. “The Four Class System”
- C. Biological and Social: Blood ties, relations, adoption
- D. Friendship, intimacy and other social bonds
- E. Friendship in action: the Tagalog “bayanihan”

#### IV: The Politics of Friendship

- A. Symbols and representation of friendship
- B. Cultural alliances (ie: United Nations, aboriginal “friendship centers”, the Commonwealth, Francophonie)
- C. Economic blocks (ie: EU, Mercosur, African Continental Free Trade Area)
- D. Military strategy (ie: for common defense, NATO)

#### V. Friendship and Democracy

- A. Friendship and the ancient Greek “storge”
- B. Friendship and the ancient Roman “amor patriae”
- C. Friendship, tribalism, nativism and nationalism
- D. Friendship and the “beloved community”

### **Assignment:**

1. 50-75 pages of primary and secondary readings each week (or watch or listen to course materials as applicable)
2. Group activities such as class discussions or group projects
3. Writing assignments (3 - 5), such as essays and response papers of at least 500-750 words each.
4. Various forms of evaluation such as exams (1 or 2), tests (at least 2), and/or quizzes
5. Discussion board activities (at least 8)

## Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Writing assignments

Writing  
30 - 50%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving  
0 - 0%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations  
0 - 0%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Exam(s), tests, and/or quizzes. Discussion board activities

Exams  
30 - 50%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Class discussions or group projects

Other Category  
10 - 20%

## Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Nichomachean Ethics. Aristotle. Penguin Classics. 2017 (Classic)

Justice in Contract Law. Benson, Peter. Belknap Press. 2019

"David and Jonathan" (I and II Samuel). BibleGateway. (Classic)

The Troubled Empire: China in the Yuan and Ming Dynasties. Brook, Timothy. Belknap Press. 2013 (Classic)

The Analects. Confucius. Penguin Classic. 1979 (Classic)

Coking, Dean, and Jeanette Kennett. "Friendship and Moral Danger." Journal of Philosophy, vol. 97, no. 5, 2000, pp. 278-96. (Classic)

Public Vows: A History of Marriage and the Nation. Cott, Nancy. Harvard. 2002 (Classic)

De Amicitia. Translated by H.E. Gould and J.L. Whiteley, Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers. 1963. (Classic)

de Montaigne, Michel. On Friendship. Translated by M.A. Screech, Penguin Classics. 2005. (Classic)

The Politics of Friendship. Derrida, Jacques. Verso. 2006. (Classic)

The Elementary Forms of Religious Life. Durkheim, Emile. Oxford University Press. 2008 (Classic)

Homo Hierarchus: The Caste System and Its Implications. Dumont, Louis. University of Chicago. 1981. (Classic)

Fight Club. Fincher, David. 20th Century Fox. 1999 (Classic)

My Beautiful Laundrette. Frears, Stephen. Orion Classic. 1985 (Classic)

Introductory Lectures on Psychoanalysis. Freud, Sigmund. Penguin Classics. 1999 (Classic)

The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life. Goffman, Irving. Anchor. 1959 (Classic)

9 to 5. Higgins, Colin. Paramount. 1980 (Classic)

The Song of God” (Chapter V and VI). Holy Bhagavad Gita. Penguin Classics. 1999 (Classic)

“Sisterhood: Political Solidarity Among Women.” Feminist Theory: From Margin to Center. hooks, bell. South End Press, 2000. (Classic)

White Weddings: Romancing Heterosexuality in Popular Culture. Ingraham, Chrys. Routledge. 2008. (Classic)

Kant, Immanuel. “Lecture on Friendship.” British Academy, 1956 (Classic)

The Revenge of Geography: What the Map Tells Us About Coming Conflicts and the Battle Against Fate. Kaplan, Robert. Random House. 2013 (Classic)

Ecrits. Lacan, Jacques. W.W. Norton. 2007 (Classic)

“Hoboes that Pass in the Night.” London, Jack. Penguin Classics. 1907 (Classic)

Mabry, Cynthia R. and Lisa Kelly. Adoption Law: Theory, Policy and Social Practice. William S. Hein and Co., 2010 (Classic)

Bayanihan and Belonging: Filipinos and Religion in Canada. Marshall, Alison R. University of Toronto. 2018 (Classic)

The Age of Walls: How Barriers Between Nations Are Changing Our World. Marshall, Tim. Scribner. 2019 (Classic)

A Flag Worth Dying For: The Power and Politics of National Symbols. Marshall, Tim. Scribner. 2018 (Classic)

McFall, Michael T. "Real character-friends: Aristotelian friendship, living together, and technology." Ethics and Information Technology, vol. 14, no. 3, 2012, pp. 221-30. (Classic)

The Epic of Gilgamesh. Translated by N.K Sandars, Penguin Classics. 1960 (Classic)

Sula. Morrison, Toni. Vintage Classics. 2006 (Classic)

On Friendship. Nehemas, Alexander. Basic Books. 2016 (Classic)

From Disgust to Humanity: Sexual Orientation and Constitutional Law. Nussbaum, Martha C. Oxford University Press. 2010 (Classic)

Orwell, George. "Notes On Nationalism." Polemic: Magazine of Philosophy, Psychology, and Aesthetics. 1945 (Classic)

Dialogue on Friendship. Plato. Cornell University Press. 1989 (Classic)

Ancient Greece: A Political, Social and Cultural History. Pomeroy, Sarah B., Stanley M. Burstein, Watler Donlan, Jennifer Tolbert Roberts. Oxford University Press. 1998 (Classic)

Steel Magnolias. Ross, Herbert. TriStar. 1989 (Classic)

Thelma & Louise. Scott, Ridley. Metro-Goldwyn-Meyer. 1991 (Classic)

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. Twain, Mark. Seawolf Press. 2019 (Classic)

The Pillow Friend. Tuttle, Lisa. Spectra. 2005 (Classic)

Mean Girls. Waters, Mark. Paramount. 2004 (Classic)

Green Card. Weir, Peter. Buena Vista. 1990 (Classic)

“What Scouting Means.” The Boy Scout Handbook. 1911 (Classic)

From Sacrament to Contract: Marriage, Religion and Law in the Western Tradition. Witte Jr., John. Knox Press. 2012 (Classic)

Disunited Nations: The Scramble for Power in an Ungoverned World. Zeihan, Peter. Harper Business. 2020