

Spring 2018
PHIL 4450, Section 01
Existentialism
Final Project Assignment
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Having written two papers on existentialism, you must now complete a final project that explores existentialism in some creative way. This project will constitute thirty percent of your final grade, so do not procrastinate and do not take it lightly. I am expecting rigorous and thoughtful work, regardless of your specific project, and I strongly suggest that you chose something that is especially interesting – if not important – to you. Here are your choices:

1. Write a third paper, eight-to-ten pages in length, on an existential topic of your choosing – perhaps something that we did not explore in class. Use at least five additional sources in your discussion, and, as always, revise your work carefully, citing your sources correctly using APA, MLA, or Chicago guidelines. Your typed and stapled essay is due on Monday, May 7th at 10:30 AM.
2. Produce a creative work, artistic or literary, that explores existentialism, broadly speaking. In addition to this creative work, write a short paper, at least five pages in length, that explains its existential significance. Revise your work carefully, as always, and remember to cite your sources correctly using APA, MLA, or Chicago guidelines. Your creative work and short essay are due on Monday, May 7th at 10:30 AM. *The creative work must be presented to the class.*
3. Produce a creative video, individually or in a group, that explores existentialism, broadly speaking. In addition to this video, write a short paper, at least five pages in length, that explains its existential significance. Revise your work carefully, as always, and remember to cite your sources correctly using APA, MLA, or Chicago guidelines. Your creative video and short essay are due on Monday, May 7th at 10:30 AM. *The creative video must be presented to the class.*
4. Prepare a lecture, roughly fifteen minutes in length, that explores existentialism in some way. In addition to this lecture, write a short paper, at least five pages in length, that explains its existential significance. Revise your work carefully, and remember to cite your sources correctly using APA, MLA, or Chicago guidelines. Your lecture and short essay are due on Monday, May 7th at 10:30 AM. *The lecture must be presented to the class.*