Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Plato

**SYLLABUS**

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The purpose of this course is to explore the philosophy of Plato. The focus will be on the dialogues exemplifying "classical Platonism."

**CLASS SCHEDULE**

**Practical Philosophy**

**Week 1**

*Phaedo* 57a1 - 84b8 Arguments for Immortality Cooper: 50 - 73

**Week 2**

*Phaedo* 84c1 - 118a17 Objections and Replies Cooper: 73 - 100

**Week 3**

*Symposium* Love and Beauty Cooper: 458 - 505

**Week 4**

*Republic* I - II 368c3 Statement of the Problem Cooper: 972 - 1007

**Week 5**

*Republic* II 368c4 - VI 502c8 Just State and Soul Cooper: 1007 - 1123

**Week 6**

*Republic* VI 502c9 - VII Metaphysical Foundation Cooper: 1123 - 1155

**Week 7**

*Republic* VIII - IX Unjust States and Souls Cooper: 1155 - 1199

**Week 8**

*Republic* X Remaining Topics Cooper: 1188 - 1223

**Week 9**

*Phaedrus* Love and Beauty Cooper: 507 - 556

**Week 10**

*Timaeus* Creation of the World Cooper: 1225 - 1291

**REQUIRED TEXTS**

Plato, *Complete Works*, ed. Cooper, Hackett, 1997, 978-0872203495.