

PHILOS 2465-0020 MWF 10:20-11:15am with Professor Harkema

Your own death is coming. Is this actually a bad thing for you? Moreover, given that we will all die, does our short time here have any meaning? In this course we will encounter answers to these kinds of questions about death and meaning from various literary and philosophical sources, from Plato and Lucretius to Leo Tolstoy and James Baldwin. By examining their views and arguments, we aim to gain a better understanding of ourselves as mortal beings.