

## **Summer Course Offering: PHI 1308 MLK Jr.'s Social Philosophy**

In the early 1960's, as the Civil Rights movement in America took shape, Martin Luther King, Jr., taught an upper-level course in Social Philosophy at Morehouse College. The hand-written syllabus, as well as the final exam, for King's Morehouse course forms the basis of this course. King not only studied and taught social philosophy, he enacted it. His life, work, and ideas remain vital and relevant. We will study the social philosophy expressed in King's writings and enacted in his life through the lens of his Morehouse syllabus. The course will have four units. We begin with a quick overview of his life and work. We then turn to his sermons and speeches to identify the key elements of King's own social philosophy. Next, through a selection of readings from the Morehouse syllabus, we examine the way King's philosophy engages the philosophers of the past. Finally, we examine the way philosophers of the present continue to engage King's ideas, directly and indirectly.

**Course Instructor: Dr. David Justice**

**Course Dates: Summer II:** July 10-August 13, Monday-Friday from 9:45-11:20 am in-person

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