

# Socrates Café



## Better living through thinking.

Socrates Café is a gathering of people who, with the help of a facilitator, engage in stimulating conversation about troubling or intriguing questions. Participants pose questions, listen to others, raise challenges, and consider alternative answers.

Thoughtful dialogue and reflection can lead to better understanding of issues people care about. The Socrates Café exists at SJSU to inspire members of the SJSU community to harness the “Socratic method” of inquiry, both to discover their own unique points of view, and to find common ground with each other. No guest lectures by experts, no assigned readings, just a group of curious people working together to get closer to the answers.

## Dates for Spring 2008

All gatherings will be at Café Pomegranate at 221 E. San Fernando St.  
(across from SJSU)  
on the following Tuesdays from 3—4 p.m.

Jan. 29: Is partisanship a good thing or a bad thing?

Feb. 5: Does love mean not ever having to say you're sorry? (If not, what *does* love mean?)

Feb. 19: Who's responsible for stopping climate change?

Mar. 4: Is someone else's cheating my problem?

Mar. 18: Am I just my body?

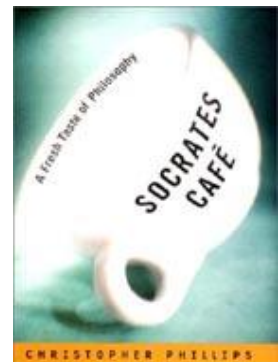
Apr. 1: What makes something funny (and can joking be serious)?

Apr. 15: Can we trust each other?

Apr. 29: When you ask me to be civil, are you really just telling me to shut up?

May 6: What's the point of a college education?

**Open to all  
SJSU students and  
employees.**



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<http://www.sjsu.edu/socrates/>

