PHIL 186 section 04, **"Business Ethics"**

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In this course, we will investigate a number of theoretical approaches to moral reasoning and the applications of such reasoning to issues in business. We will do this through a careful study of moral theory combined with a thorough consideration of a number of case studies. We will also study assorted theories of justice, economic theory, the idea of workers' rights, issues of diversity and job discrimination, as well as issues in environmental ethics. The course is designed to challenge the student to reflect on *values* (other than money) and consider the ways in which our values are or are not realized in the modern workplace.

In addition to wrestling with a number of substantive issues concerning business and society, the course endeavors to improve the ability of students to analyze and assess moral issues and arguments and to think critically and independently. Of special concern are issues of equality and social justice both within the United States and globally.

Required Text:

Shaw, William and Vincent Barry. *Business Ethics and Ethical Business*
Cengage, 2015, ISBN: 978-1-285-87432-6

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