# HUM 2510.E1: Logic

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### Class Time & Location

Tuesday & Thursday, 5.00–6.15 pm, Crawford 610.

### Course Objectives

- To become familiar with the principal systems of logical inference
- To improve critical thinking skills

#### **Text**

Required: MAGNUS & al. For All X: The Florida Tech Fusion, available as a pdf at http://goo.gl/ifF8rg.

## Grading

All exams will be held in regular classroom. As usual, 90% + A; 80-89% = B; 70-79% = C; 60-69% = D; 0-59% = F.

- 1. First Midterm Exam (Fifth Week);
- 2. Second Midterm Exam (Eleventh Week);
- 3. Cumulative Final Exam (**Tuesday 1st May, 6–8 pm**)—the date of this exam has already been fixed and **cannot** be changed;
- 4. Your five best (of at least ten) pop quiz grades;

will each contribute one quarter to the overall grade.

## Course Regulations

• Any form of academic dishonesty will result in a grade of F for the course. You are responsible for knowing all Florida Tech policies on academic dishonesty (see www.fit.edu/current/documents/plagiarism.pdf).

- Students are expected to attend **all** classes. Missed pop quizzes will score 0: make-up quizzes will not normally be provided.
- All personal electronic devices to be muted in class and switched off completely during exams.

### Course Outline

WEEKS 1-2: Introductory

**READ:** For All X, Part I.

WEEKS 2–5: Traditional Logic

**READ:** For All X, Part II.

First Midterm Exam

STUDY: For All X, Part II.

WEEKS 6–11: Symbolic Logic, Propositions

**READ:** For All X, Part III.

Second Midterm Exam

STUDY: For All X. Part III.

WEEKS 12–13: Symbolic Logic, Quantifiers

**READ:** For All X, Part IV.

WEEK 14–15: Informal Logic

**READ:** Copi, Cohen & Flage: *Essentials*, Chp 2 (available as pdf at http://goo.gl/iff8rg).

**Cumulative Final Exam** 

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