

Philosophy 283: Free Will
John Fischer
Fall 2006
Syllabus

Required Books:

Fischer, et. al., *Four Views on Free Will: A Debate* (Blackwell, forthcoming 2007); a manuscript copy should be available as of September 25 at the UCR Bookstore through Reprographics.

Alfred Mele, *Free Will and Luck* (Oxford University Press 2006)

Note: I will be away two Thursdays. I thus have to reschedule those classes to Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9:30; I apologize, and if this is inconvenient for anyone, we can consider other arrangements.

Sept. 28

Robert Kane on Libertarianism: Fischer, et. al., pp. 3-68
282-3; 293-301; 314-21.

Oct. 5

John Fischer, "My Compatibilism": Fischer, et. al., pp. 70-131;
255-60; 301-5; 329-34

Tuesday Oct. 10

Derk Pereboom on Hard Incompatibilism: Fischer, et. al., pp.132-194
261-73; 283-88; 321-9

Oct. 12: No Class

Oct. 19

Manuel Vargas on Revisionism: Fischer, et. al., pp. 195-254
273-81' 288-92; 306-12

Oct. 26

Mele Chapters 1 and 2: Mele, pp. 3-48

Tuesday Oct. 31

Mele Chapter 3: Mele, pp. 49-80

Nov. 2: No Class

Nov. 9

Mele Chapter 4

Mele, pp. 81-104

Nov. 16

Mele Chapter 5

Mele, pp. 105-136

Nov. 30

Mele Chapter 6

Mele, pp. 137-162

Dec. 7

Mele Chapters 7 and 8

Mele, pp. 163-208

Requirements: There will be a paper in two drafts. The first draft is due Nov. 22. The second draft is due Dec. 15.

There will be oral presentations (to be determined on the first day of class).