

# Paper 1: Due on Friday, June 2, 2017 at 11:59pm

## A. Topic

Using material from the *Source Reader*, please write a paper in which you explain the Moral Law Tradition and Utilitarianism. After **explaining the evolution of the central ideas of the two traditions**, **apply both traditions** to the following scenario and **explain both what someone in each tradition should do and WHY he/she should do it**.

## Scenario

A student finds a copy of an important midterm exam in the hallway outside a professor's door the afternoon before the exam. The student is enrolled in this course and not doing very well at this point. It is very important for her/him to get a good grade to keep her/his scholarship. What should the student do, and why should he/she do it?

## B. Content

Do not go into great detail about each of the authors you read in these traditions. Rather, seek to make general observations **explaining the evolution of the core beliefs and ideas within the two traditions**, and then explain how the tradition might be applied in the example you are given above.

**Your paper must be at least 4 but no more than 5 pages in length, typed (1 inch margins, Times New Roman font 12) and double-spaced.** In writing your paper, it is important to:

1. Organize your points carefully around a clear thesis statement;
2. Explain, develop and support your points; and
3. Carefully edit and correct your final draft to be sure that all grammatical errors, punctuation errors, and spelling errors are eliminated.

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## C. Grading

I will be using the following rubric to grade your assignment. Before you submit your paper, assure that you have fully addressed each item on the rubric.

## **Rubric for Paper #1**

1. Explanation of Moral Law Tradition
  - a. Core beliefs/ideas and their development
2. Explanation of Utilitarianism
  - a. Core beliefs/ideas and their development
3. Application of Moral Law Tradition to scenario
  - a. What student should do
  - b. Why student should do it
4. Application of Utilitarianism to scenario
  - a. What student should do
  - b. Why student should do it

- C. **Submission to Instructor via e mail ([michele.previti@stockton.edu](mailto:michele.previti@stockton.edu)) and to [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com) by Friday June 2 at 11:59pm.** I must receive your paper by the due date and time at both web addresses. A five point penalty will be assessed for each day that a paper is late (this includes weekend days).

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