

This course takes examples of recent protest movements (e.g., the Quebec student protests, the Arab spring, the Occupy movement, the Iraq war, Kony 2012, the G20 protests and the Copenhagen summit) as starting points for philosophical discussion. What can moral and political philosophy say about the issues at stake in these movements? Brief overviews of the movements will be paired with philosophical readings on relevant concepts and issues, such as democracy, political power, just war, humanitarian intervention, global justice and environmental justice.

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No previous philosophical training required.
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