

Philosophy & Reason marking guide

External assessment

Extended response

Assessment objectives

This assessment instrument is used to determine student achievement in the following objectives:

1. define and use terminology relating to political philosophy in order to demonstrate an understanding of meaning
2. explain concepts, methods, principles and theories relating to political philosophy
3. interpret and analyse arguments, ideas and information relating to political philosophy
4. organise and synthesise ideas and information to understand, engage with and construct arguments relating to political philosophy
5. evaluate claims and arguments inherent in theories and views relating to political philosophy
6. create an analytical essay response that communicates ideas and arguments relating to political philosophy.

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> establishes significant relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy uses relevant philosophical concepts and distinguishing features throughout 	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> establishes significant relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy uses relevant philosophical concepts and distinguishing features throughout 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> establishes relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy uses some relevant philosophical concepts and distinguishing features 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> establishes relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy uses some relevant philosophical concepts and distinguishing features 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifies relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy identifies philosophical concepts and features 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifies relationships within and between ideas and arguments connected to the political philosophy identifies philosophical concepts and features 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes an idea, concept or feature connected to the political philosophy 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes an idea, concept or feature connected to the political philosophy 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides a detailed examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises accurately • makes clear links between premises and conclusions 	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides a detailed examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises accurately • makes clear links between premises and conclusions 	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides an examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises accurately • makes links between premises and conclusions 	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides an examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises accurately • makes links between premises and conclusions 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides an examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises and links them to a conclusion 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provides an examination of argument using relevant ideas • identifies premises and links them to a conclusion 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identifies an argument • identifies a premise and states a conclusion 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • identifies an argument • identifies a premise and states a conclusion 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • states a premise or conclusion 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • states a premise or conclusion 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs a logical argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses relevant philosophical ideas effectively to support this argument 	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs a logical argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses relevant philosophical ideas effectively to support this argument 	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs a logical argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses relevant philosophical ideas to support this argument 	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs a logical argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses relevant philosophical ideas to support this argument 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs an argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses philosophical ideas in relation to this argument 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> constructs an argument on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality uses philosophical ideas in relation to this argument 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> gives a reason for the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> gives a reason for the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes a statement on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes a statement on the extent to which it is legitimate for the state to aim for equality 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides insightful evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria effectively to make a reasoned and justified decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides insightful evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria effectively to make a reasoned and justified decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides insightful evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria to make a justified decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides insightful evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria to make a justified decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides an evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria to make a decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provides an evaluation of argument with reference to the selected stimulus uses relevant criteria to make a decision about the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifies relevant criteria to make a decision on the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society based on the selected stimulus 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> identifies relevant criteria to make a decision on the legitimacy for the state to aim for equality in society based on the selected stimulus 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> makes a statement on equality in society 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> makes a statement on equality in society 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses relevant terminology connected to the political philosophy throughout 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses relevant terminology connected to the political philosophy throughout 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes relevant terminology connected to the political philosophy 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes relevant terminology connected to the political philosophy 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes terminology that refers to the political philosophy 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes terminology that refers to the political philosophy 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response, for one political philosophy selected:	M	The response, for the other political philosophy selected:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explains in detail the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explains in detail the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explains the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explains the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> gives an aspect of the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> gives an aspect of the concept of equality in the political philosophy 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0

The response:	M
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conveys ideas and arguments relating to the question succinctly, purposefully and fluently uses the analytical essay genre, with paragraphs organised logically in relation to the central thesis 	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conveys ideas and arguments relating to the question fluently uses the analytical essay genre, with paragraphs in relation to the central thesis 	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conveys ideas and arguments relating to the question uses the analytical essay genre, with paragraphs evident 	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conveys ideas or arguments relating to the question using paragraphs 	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conveys ideas or arguments relating to the question 	1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> does not satisfy any of the descriptors above. 	0