

**PHIL 190\_80**  
**Seminar on Philosophical Classics:**  
**Identity and the Self**

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**Hybrid! (T in person in SH 241, R synchronous online)**



**Does this taco cat have anything to do with identity or the self?**  
**You'll have to take the class to find out!**

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Who are you? Are the kinds of traits that shape your identity different from the kinds of traits that shape the identity of a taco cat? Can society and your relationships to family and friends define who you are? To what extent *can* you change? To what extent *should* you change? Do you have a “true self”?

These are the types of questions that we'll explore in this seminar. We'll read some historical “classics” as well as modern takes on these questions.

Assessment in the class will be based on discussion, presentations, written work, and creative projects.

**Prerequisites:** PHIL70A and PHIL70B and 6 units of upper division philosophy or instructor consent.