I will be teaching Phil 380, Advanced Topics: African American Philosophy, Spring 2009. The course has been approved by the department chair (me) and is currently on the books for the spring semester. I have never taught the course nor has it been taught in our department. I would like to request a New Course Grant of $500.00 to prepare for the course.

**Course description:** African American Philosophy has been described as “philosophy born of struggle.” This course will think about the role of struggle in relation to the formation of a philosophical perspective. We will study important works in African American philosophy, from its beginnings with W.E.B. Du Bois and Booker T. Washington through to contemporary philosophers such as Lucius Outlaw, bell hooks, Leonard Harris, Tommy Lott, Charles Mills, Adrian Piper, and Patricia Hill Collins. We will study also study how African American philosophers have engaged with traditional philosophical areas such as ethics, epistemology, social justice, identity, and aesthetics by engaging mainstream philosophy and by developing their own theoretical frameworks.

**Itemized budget for course preparation.**

- **Belonging: A Culture of Place** by bell hooks $19.95
- **A Companion to African-American Philosophy** by Tommy L. Lott $41.95
- **Cosmopolitanism: Ethics in a World of Strangers** by Kwame Anthony Appiah $15.95
- **In My Father's House: Africa in the Philosophy of Culture** by Kwame Anthony Appiah $15.95
- **African-American Philosophers: 17 Conversations** by George Yancy $29.65
- **Ethical Ambition: Living a Life of Meaning and Worth** by Derrick Bell $13.95
- **Faces at the Bottom of the Well: The Permanence of Racism** by Derrick Bell $13.95
- **Philosophy Born of Struggle: Anthology of Afro-American Philosophy from 1917** by Harris, Leonard, $45.00
- **African-American Bioethics: Culture, Race, and Identity** by Lawrence J., Jr $26.95
- **African-American Philosophy: Selected Readings** by Tommy L. Lott $73.40
- **Reflections: An Anthology of African-American Philosophy** by James Montmarquet $72.95
- **Up From Slavery - Booker T. Washington** by Booker T. Washington $8.97
- **Know What I Mean?: Reflections on Hip-Hop** by Michael Eric Dyson $19.95
- **From Black Power to Hip Hop: Racism, Nationalism, and Feminism** by Patricia Hill Collins $21.95
- **African Philosophy: An Anthology** by Emmanuel Chukwudi Eze $55.95
- **The African Philosophy Reader** by P. Coetzee $43.95

**Total:** $520.44