FIL4352 Feminist Ethics with short essay

Spring term 2014

Wednesday May 28th, 09:00 am (4 hours)

The set of questions consists of 1 page

No means of help are allowed

Respond to <u>one</u> of the two following tasks:

- 1. Which aspects of *Pyrrhus and Cineas* and *The Ethics of Ambiguity* can be said to prefigure key points in *The Second Sex* and *Old Age*? How can, in your opinion, Simone de Beauvoir's ethics be said to foreshadow contemporary feminist ethics?
- 2. In *Caring*, Nel Noddings writes: "The one-caring, male and female, does not seek security in abstractions cast either as principles or entities. She remains responsible here and now for this cared-for and this situation and for the foreseeable future projected by herself and the cared-for." What is, according to Noddings, Carol Gilligan, and/or Eva Kittay, the relationship between care and justice? In your opinion, what are strengths and weaknesses of an ethics of care? Support your arguments with examples from the syllabus.