

THE PRACTICAL SIDE OF GREAT PHILOSOPHERS (168)

Mondays, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., Room 30 (4 Classes 2/13 to 3/6) **Tuition \$30**

Walk-in \$10 Pay prior to the class in the Center 4Life Learning office.

Philosophy is often viewed as hopelessly abstract, difficult, and impractical. However, just as modern operational engineers study and recommend ways to improve business and factory processes and workflows, so too ancient philosophers such as Buddha and Aristotle sought to improve human thought and relationships.

This course will place a lens of modern logic over the thoughts of Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, Lao-Tzu, the Buddha, and Confucius in order to clarify and systematize their thoughts. We will do some technical logic to start, but nothing terribly difficult. Our course will be wide-ranging, mind-expanding, practical, and fun!

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