

HUL 258: Social and Political Philosophy
Ist Semester, 2016-17
Minor 2

Instructions

Make your answers as clear and precise as possible. Feel free to write your answers in point format, and to use Hindi words or phrases if you need to.

A

Some philosophers have criticised utilitarianism for being "too demanding." What do they mean by this? What is the strongest utilitarian response to this criticism? (5 marks, 500 words)

B

The Director of IIT Delhi is concerned about student well-being on campus, and has asked you to carry out a study to measure it. Write a note on how you would conduct such a study.

Since time is short, your study should focus on no more than **three** properties to measure. For each property

1. Identify the relevant theory of well-being behind it;
2. Justify why you think it is important to measure it for the purposes of such a study;
3. Explain just how you would go about measuring it, and consider what sorts of errors or problems might arise in the process of measurement;
4. Consider what problems might arise in interpreting or applying the results

(15 marks: 4 marks per indicator plus 3 marks for general discussion, 1000 words)