

Medieval Philosophy Class:

As announced earlier today, your first essay response is due Thursday, February 21, before 11:50pm. This will be an online submission through turnitin on iLearn.

The Prompt:

What is “God realization”, according to Shankara? Explain two practices leading to God realization according to Shankara?

Essay Requirements and Guidelines:

1. Title of Paper: Shankara: the Goal and the Path.
2. Your essay should be a minimum of 250 words, roughly a single page (or page and a half), double spaced. **YOU MUST INCLUDE A WORD COUNT.**
3. Your engagement with the prompt questions should reveal that you have done the reading and are familiar with the concepts you are discussing as they are articulated in Sankara's *Crest-Jewel* text.
4. Please incorporate at least two “brief” quotes from Shankara and at least four references to the text (at least two of which will be associated with your two quotes). By “brief” quote I mean a sentence or two.

Quoted material should not exceed 20%-25% of your total words (50-62 words for a paper with 250 words). All references should be provided in the text as follows: (Shankara, Crest-Jewel, p. n), where n = some specific number in the text. A works cited page is not necessary

5. This assignment is CR or NC, so make sure that you provide a serious engagement with the prompt. As indicated on the course syllabus, there will be 10 of these single page essay responses. This is the second such essay.

6. If you had a technical problem submitting your first paper under a particular format, try using a different format this time, making sure of course that it conforms to the range of acceptable formats stipulated by turnitin.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me or Spencer.

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