Medieval Philosophy Class:

Your fourth essay response is due Monday, March 11, before 11:50pm. This will be an online submission through Turnitin on iLearn.

The Prompt: Is Ramanuja's view of meditation monistic, dualistic, or both? Discuss.

Essay Requirements and Guidelines:

- 1. Title of Paper: Ramanuja on Meditation
- 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 should reveal that you have done the current reading and are familiar with the concepts you are discussing as they are articulated in Ramanuja's commentary on the Brahma Sutras. For example, it is necessary that you demonstrate an understanding of Ramanuja's views on meditation and how they relate to his vishishtadvaita form of Vedanta.
- 4. Please incorporate at least one "brief" quote from Ramanuja and at least two references to his commentary on the Brahma Sutras, one of which will be associated with your quote. By "brief" quote I

mean a sentence or two. All references should be provided in the text as follows: (Ramanuja, BS, 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 third 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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