

## Questions for Final Exam

Please answer two (2) of the following three (3) questions. This exam is closed book and closed notes.

(1) How does Seneca's ethical account of time depend on his metaphysical account of time?

To answer this question, you'll want to make sure you:

- Discuss particular metaphysical claims that he makes about time (mostly in §8-10).
- Discuss particular ethical claims that he makes (these can be found throughout the text).
- Match the two together. His ethical exhortations follow from facts about the nature of time, and the point of the question is to have you demonstrate, with particular examples, how this works.

(2) Answer these three, related questions about Gracyk's chapter. For each part, explain the reasons for the positions you take.

(a) What is a work of rock, according to Gracyk?

(b) Why does he take this position about the ontology of rock?

(c) What does this imply for the forgery of rock and other types of music?

(3) Explain Peerenboom's views on how the resurgent interest in Confucianism in the PRC might affect (positively and negatively) the recognition of human rights in that country going forward.

- Please note that the question implicitly has a comparative component. Peerenboom's standards for assessing possible courses of action that may be taken in China depend on his understanding of Western political values as well as his knowledge of the Confucian tradition.
- This question will require some explanation of any relevant concepts that you address (for example, the contrast between rights and rites; or the fact of pluralism). Don't just provide an outline of an explanation: actually give one. This involves showing how the various pieces of your argument fit together.