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To: Philo 11 (Logic) students

1. There are uploaded exercises in our VLE platform (under CAS courses) which aims to hone your skills in the formal proof of validity by using the rules of inference. In this regard, I thought it prudent to incentivize the homework that will be uploaded during the next 3-4 weeks of class suspension. This will be done every Monday. It is wiser to do the exercise every week to allow you the luxury of time to ponder on the correct answers. Write and keep all your answers on **separate sheets of yellow paper** for every homework. These will all be submitted on the first day of classes on April 20 (Monday). We will solve them on the board. I hope that you will understand that while the situation is not ideal, we have to make this adjustment. Thus, the incentive below.
2. The incentive will be for a maximum of 3 additional accumulated points to be added to your first long exam.
* 1st homework of the rules of inference = 1 point will be given if your submitted homework has at least 2 correct and complete answers.
* This will be applied as well for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th homework.
* The student will get a maximum of 3 additional points even if he/she submits all the four homework.
* The homework should **be labeled as HM1, HM2, etc**. and should be written on a yellow pad paper. The answers will be discussed once classes resume.
* This is voluntary since the result of the first long examination is below that of the ideal (or dismal for some of you, to put it candidly).
* Please avoid copying from each other, since this will defeat the idea of skills building. You may get away with it initially, but in the long run, you might not be able to pass the 2nd long exam since you did not solve these problems yourself. The tentative date for the second exam is April 27, 2020.
1. The syllabus will be adjusted to cover the bare minimum in order to achieve logical acumen. Thus, the topic of quantification will not be included. But both the rules of inference and replacement are important as the bare minimum to hone your deductive reasoning skills.
2. I am just waiting for the approval of my application for the exemption for online classes which I submitted today. Once this is approved, I will be uploading these exercises every Monday. Kindly check out our VLE platform regularly.
3. Kindly help me disseminate this information to your classmates who might encounter technical or communication difficulties.

Thank you for understanding and keep safe.

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