An introduction to the philosophy of Karl Marx from analytical and historical perspectives. We shall study his early, explicitly philosophical texts as well as his later writings on political economy.

Our focus will be on his transformation of fundamental concepts from the philosophical tradition (chiefly Aristotle and Hegel), his critique of political economy, his concepts of historical materialism, ideology, and critique, and his reception by later Marxist thinkers.

Readings in English or German. Class discussions in English.