# Spring 2014 Heyman Center Friends/Carl Hovde Colloquium

***Philosophy as a Way of Life***

Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Peter Pazzaglini

*Course Description:*

This colloquium will be led by Professor Peter Pazzaglini, Senior Scholar at the Heyman Center for the Humanities. We shall examine philosophy as a lived experience not as an academic discipline or a set of metaphysical systems or abstract interpretations. The focus will be on what these authors urge us to do, not on what they say with a love of words. These texts represent competitive and complete ways of being, with self-questioning and self-examination, and in living contact with others. The aim of these philosophies as a way of life is to develop people as full human beings, not as esoteric specialists or academics.

**Syllabus**

January 23: Viktor E. Frankl, *Man’s Search for Meaning*, Beacon pb.

February 6: *The Stoic Philosophy of Seneca,* Norton pb. Tr. Moses Hadas.

February 20: Mahatma Gandhi, *Selected Political Writings*, Hackett pb.

March 6: Frantz Fanon, *The Wretched of the Earth*, Grove pb.

March 27: Sigmund Freud, *Civilization and its Discontents*, Norton pb.

April 10: Pierre Hadot, *Philosophy as a Way of Life*, Blackwell pb. Tr. M. Chase

April 24: Makeup if needed.