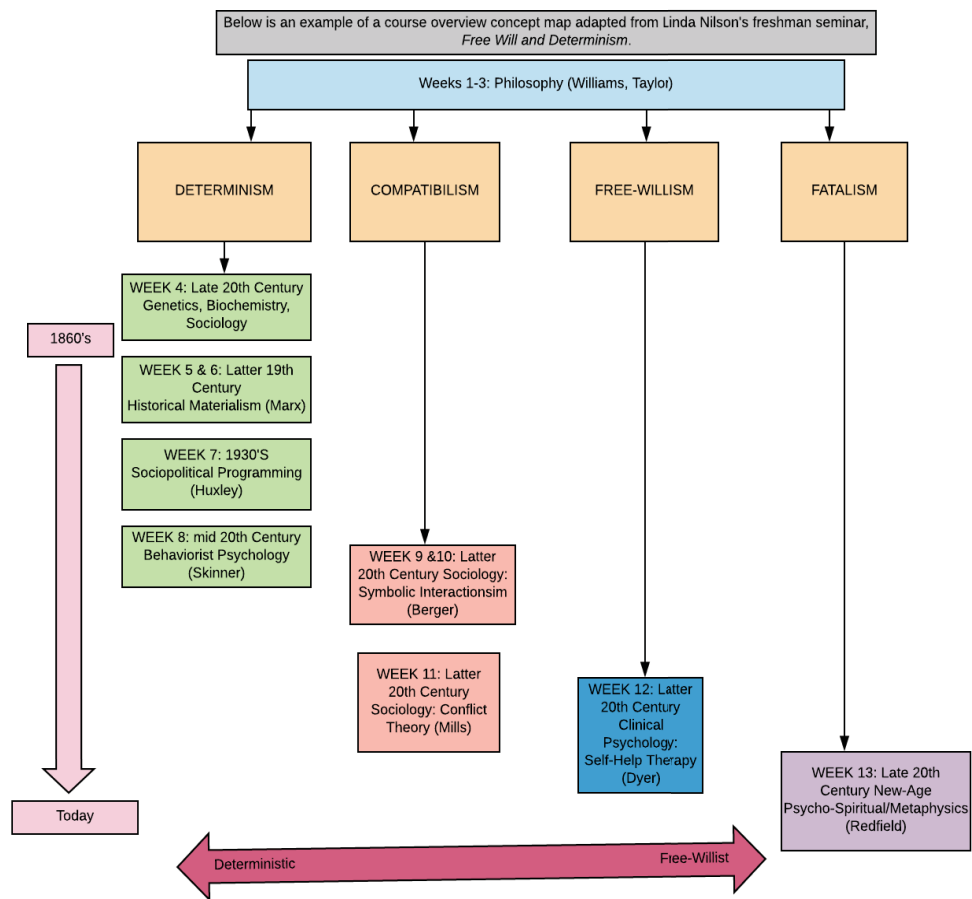


Develop Course Overview Concept Maps

Posting a course overview concept map to the home page of your course helps students better understand how the topics addressed in the course fit together. You can also create a concept map for individual modules to help students visualize how the module concepts fit together and connect to the overall course objectives. Another type of concept map that helps students understand how the coursework is structured to meet learning objectives is an overview map that illustrates the various assignments, assessments, and requirements for the course.

[Lucidchart](#), a free online software program, offers hundreds of customizable templates and icons to enhance the visual effectiveness of your concept maps.



Example of concept map illustrating how course concepts fit together.

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