Phil 114, First Paper Assignment

Maximum Length: No more than four pages, double spaced, 12-point font, one-inch margins

Due: Monday, February 6, by 10:10am (before the lecture starts). Please hand in your paper, in person, to your GSI. *Please see the syllabus for other relevant policies*.

If you are seriously considering dropping the class, or changing your grading option, please say so at the top of your paper.

Topic: In what sense does Hobbes assume that all human beings are naturally equal? What role, or roles, does this assumption play in his argument that the state of nature is a state of war? Would the argument be as strong without the assumption? Explain, and support your interpretive claims with citations from the text.