COURSE DETAIL

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE
Country United Kingdom - England
Host Institution King's College London
Program(s) King's College London
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Philosophy Linguistics
UCEAP Course Number 154
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE
UCEAP Transcript Title PHIL OF LANGUAGE
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

In the wake of the logical revolution at the end of the 19th century, a number of philosophers well-versed in formal logic turned their attention to the project of understanding human languages, not just logical ones. Others argued for a different approach, claiming that the tools of logic are either insufficient or just the wrong sort of thing to help us understand the nuances of human language use. This course introduces students to these two broad strands of philosophical thinking about language. Students cover how each strand arose, developed, and eventually intertwined with the other. Then, drawing on the tools of both, students study a range of interesting linguistic phenomena—from foundational notions like meaning and communication to more complex and recalcitrant notions like slurring and silencing.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
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https://www.kcl.ac.uk/abroad/module-options/philosophy-of-language-2

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
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