COURSE DETAIL

MONISM NOW AND THEN: THE DEBATE ON MONISM IN CONTEMPORARY ANALYTIC METAPHYSICS AND ITS PREDECESSORS

Country
Germany

Host Institution
Free University of Berlin

Program(s)
Free University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number
111

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
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UCEAP Transcript Title
MONISM NOW AND THEN

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

This course is devoted to one of the most long-running and yet contested philosophical theories in the Western tradition, namely that of monism. This issue touches on several central themes in metaphysics and theoretical philosophy: the question of ground, the understanding of becoming and contingency, and the relationship between mind, language, and world, just to name a few. In order to delve into this rich and complex line of thought, the course uses the debate that ensued on the topic within analytic philosophy in the last decade. The contemporary debate has several merits that make it a wonderful introduction to the topic. After having considered the main tenets of the contemporary debate on analytic monism and its relation to the history of metaphysics within the analytic tradition, the course considers a few “traditional” authors that have defended or opposed different versions of monism in the history of philosophy (Parmenides, Spinoza, Hegel). Going from present to past, the course explores how authors from the traditions fit within the directives and presuppositions of the contemporary debate. Conversely, going from past to present the course assesses what authors from the tradition can contribute to today's metaphysical inquiry.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
16036

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