

COURSE DETAIL

TWENTIETH CENTURY THEORETICAL PHILOSOPHY

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Utrecht University - University College Utrecht

Program(s)

University College Utrecht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

113

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

TWENTIETH CENTURY THEORETICAL PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

THEORETICAL PHIL

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course investigates, from a twentieth and twenty-first century perspective, themes that have occupied philosophical thought over the past 2500 years. There are many different styles of philosophy; this course stresses the unity within philosophical inquiry, ignoring artificial divisions. Twentieth century philosophy has often been divided into Analytic and Continental traditions. The purpose of this course is to focus on the problems shared by these seemingly opposed schools in such areas as philosophy of mind, language, epistemology, metaphysics and philosophy of action. All of the philosophers studied in this course have made great contributions to our understanding of the world and our place in it. Quine, Heidegger, Davidson, Deleuze, Gadamer, Foucault, Rorty, Ayer, and Frege are among the authors who make up the readings. Through close analysis of their contributions the students are encouraged to deepen their familiarity and understanding of the philosophical landscape. Guided readings from selected authors' landmark works are used in order to illuminate the fundamental questions; in-class discussions are centered on the various perspectives offered in the course material in order to generate lively debate. One of the primary objectives of the course is to awaken the sense of the importance of philosophical discourse. Prerequisites for this course are an introduction to philosophy course and a world philosophy course.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

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TWENTIETH CENTURY THEORETICAL PHILOSOPHY

Host Institution Campus

Humanities

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy

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