

COURSE DETAIL

HELLENISTIC PHILOSOPHY

Country

Australia

Host Institution

University of Sydney

Program(s)

University of Sydney

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

139

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

HELLENISTIC PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

HELLENISTIC PHIL

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

This course examines three philosophical schools: the Stoics, the Epicureans, and the Skeptics. It covers topics including: rival ethical systems, and arguments attempting to derive ethical standards from nature; philosophy as a way of life, and one entailing a radical break from conventional values; Epicurean atomic theory, Stoic determinism, and the development of the free will problem; the Stoic view that emotions should be eliminated; and Skeptical arguments that our entire perception of our world may be nothing more than a dream. It also considers recent revivals of these theories and connections with contemporary culture and philosophy.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PHIL3639

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HELLENISTIC PHILOSOPHY

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy

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