

## COURSE DETAIL

### MORAL PSYCHOLOGY IN THE CHINESE TRADITION

**Country**

Hong Kong

**Host Institution**

University of Hong Kong

**Program(s)**

University of Hong Kong

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Philosophy Asian Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

104

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

MORAL PSYCHOLOGY IN THE CHINESE TRADITION

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

CHINESE MORAL PSYCH

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

5.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.30

## Course Description

This course explores and evaluates early Chinese philosophers' answers to questions of morals, ethics, philosophy, and psychology as presented in selected early Chinese philosophical texts related to people's nature, motivation, moral cultivation, moral reasoning, and action. Topics discussed include: people's typical moral dispositions; morally relevant features of people's nature (xing); the role of the heart (xin) in guiding action; the role of desire, emotion, and normative judgment in motivation and action; methods of moral education and training; the nature and function of virtue; and the structure of action. The course focuses on four major texts—Mozi, Mengzi, Xunzi, and Zhuangzi—and devotes much attention to how these texts criticize and respond to each other's views. Comparisons and contrasts with major Western thinkers such as Aristotle, Hume, and Kant are drawn.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

PHIL2470

## Host Institution Course Title

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## Host Institution Campus

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Philosophy

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