COURSE DETAIL

TOPICS IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

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

UCEAP Course Number

155

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

TOPICS IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

UCEAP Transcript Title

PHILOSOPHY OF MIND

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

This course focuses on wakeful consciousness, sleep, and dreams. In the philosophical literature, discussions of different aspects of mind and agency typically assume a certain background state of consciousness. In consequence, questions about the nature of that state of consciousness and the potential explanatory roles it can play, are rarely addressed explicitly. This course addresses those questions through the comparative study of conditions and states of consciousness that depart from wakefulness in various ways: sleep, dreams, and various parasomnias. Students examine methodological and conceptual challenges that arise in the scientific study of sleep and dreams. They also explore debates about the nature and function of dreams, the function of sleep, how to individuate and distinguish different states of consciousness, and how to understand the agency involved in unusual sleep behaviors, such as sleep-walking.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

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Host Institution Campus

King's College London

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