

COURSE DETAIL

PHILOSOPHY OF DAVID LEWIS

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

102

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PHILOSOPHY OF DAVID LEWIS

UCEAP Transcript Title

PHIL OF DAVID LEWIS

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

David Lewis (1941-2001) was one of the most important philosophers of the 20th Century. He made significant contributions to philosophy of language, philosophy of mathematics, philosophy of science, decision theory, epistemology, meta-ethics and aesthetics, and most significantly to philosophy of mind and metaphysics. Despite the wide range of issues addressed in Lewis' work there is a unifying method and systematicity. This course provides an overview of Lewis' contributions by focusing on some of his key writings on various topics such as modal metaphysics, human supervenience, analytic functionalism, counterfactuals, counterpart theory, de se content, contextualism about knowledge, scorekeeping in a language game, etc. The course is oriented around a single philosopher and his work, but attention is also given to the connections between Lewis' philosophy and the enduring problems of traditional philosophy.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PHIL10184

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PHILOSOPHY OF DAVID LEWIS

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy

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