COURSE DETAIL

HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY 1 V

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

Trinity College Dublin

Program(s)

Trinity College Dublin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

109

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY 1 V

UCEAP Transcript Title

HIST OF PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.00

UCEAP Semester Units

2.70

Course Description

The first part of this course focuses on ancient philosophy. Students study and critically discuss a selection of texts from Plato and Aristotle, and concentrate on three central topics in the two philosophers: the "What is it?" question; the idea of aporia (puzzlement, philosophical puzzles, and problems); and human desire and its objects. Next, the course explores medieval philosophy, beginning and ending with a survey of main figures and historical movements, but focusing on two key figures of the period. The course begins with Augustine, examining how he brought Greek philosophy into dialogue with Christianity and looking specifically at his rejection of skepticism and his positive account of knowledge. Then the course moves on to Thomas Aquinas and explores his general metaphysical system, as well as his account of mind. Hence this course examines an influential epistemological position, an influential metaphysical position, and an influential account of mind from the medieval period.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PI107B

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Host Institution Campus

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