COURSE DETAIL

PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY
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) Psychology
UCEAP Course Number 173
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCHOLOGY
UCEAP Transcript Title PHILOSOPHY OF PSYCH
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description

This course explores foundational and methodological questions about psychology and cognitive science, exploiting the tools of philosophy to equip students to reflect critically on assumptions, concepts, and methods used. In the first half of the term, students apply this distinctive approach to five specific topics: change blindness and inattentional blindness; experimental evidence about conscious choice and free will; unconscious bias and implicit attitudes; the concept of mental disorder; social cognition, and mirror neurons. In the second half of the term, students investigate more general questions about aims, methods, and assumptions in psychology, focusing on these topics: the nature of psychological explanation and its relationship with neuroscience; the analogy between minds and computers; mental representation, the 'Language of Thought' and cognitive maps; and the use of neuroimaging to ascribe mental states.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
5PAHPMND

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Host Institution Course Details
https://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/courses/psychology-bsc

Host Institution Campus
King's College London

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Psychology

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