COURSE DETAIL

METAPHYSICS IN ARISTOTLE'S CATEGORIES

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

114

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

METAPHYSICS IN ARISTOTLE'S CATEGORIES

UCEAP Transcript Title

METAPHYS ARISTOTLE

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

In this class we will read Aristotle's Categories and discuss it in detail. The Categories is one of the most influential texts in the history of European philosophy. Yet it is far from clear what Aristotle is trying to achieve in the work and even what kind of a work it is. In particular, the Categories intermingles metaphysical and linguistic questions and claims in a strange way. For that reason, its main claim has been seen as an antiplatonic metaphysical theories and as a metaphysically neutral theory in philosophy of language about terms. The central questions in this class will be: To what extent does the Categories present a metaphysical theory? How is this theory related to the claims in the text about linguistic expressions? We will read current research on these matters and discuss the text of the Categories intensively.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

51054

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