

COURSE DETAIL

THE MAKING OF THE MODERN SELF: EXISTENTIAL PHILOSOPHY

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

122

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

THE MAKING OF THE MODERN SELF: EXISTENTIAL PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

EXISTENTIAL PHIL

UCEAP Quarter Units

12.00

UCEAP Semester Units

8.00

Course Description

This course traces the conception of authentic existence in the works of thinkers from the Existentialist tradition, such as Simone de Beauvoir, Jean-Paul Sartre, Albert Camus, Hannah Arendt, and Copenhagen's own Søren Kierkegaard. Among other things, the course observes how ethical thinking has moved from the language of duty to that of personal answerability, and how the search for meaningful personal existence has increasingly become the responsibility of the individual. The unique vocabulary of these authors appears not only in works of philosophy, theology, and psychology, but also literature and theater, which illustrates that we understand ourselves via the stories we tell, and that these narratives are necessarily told in dialogue with "the Other," our fellow human beings.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

TTEASK029U

Host Institution Course Title

THE MAKING OF THE MODERN SELF: EXISTENTIAL PHILOSOPHY

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Theology

Host Institution Degree

Bachelor

Host Institution Department

Theology

[Print](#)