

# COURSE DETAIL

## EPISTEMOLOGY

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

London School of Economics

**Program(s)**

London School of Economics

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Philosophy

**UCEAP Course Number**

114

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

EPISTEMOLOGY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

EPISTEMOLOGY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

The first half of the course explores classic epistemology. It begins with the argument for skepticism about the external world, and in seeking to solve this problem considers a range of positions and arguments in epistemology, including: the JTB account; the causal theory of knowing; reliabilism; internalism and externalism; contextualism, and semantic externalism. The second half of the course focuses on modern formal epistemology. Moving from a qualitative to a quantitative concept of belief, it explores Bayesian epistemology – a powerful account of rational degrees of belief or credence. Students consider a series of puzzles for Bayesian epistemologists: the sleeping beauty problem; imprecise probabilities; awareness growth; and the surprise exam paradox.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

PH224

### Host Institution Course Title

EPISTEMOLOGY

### Host Institution Campus

London

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method

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