

COURSE DETAIL

BULLSHIT IN PHILOSOPHY AND PSYCHOLOGY

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Psychology Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

135

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

BULLSHIT IN PHILOSOPHY AND PSYCHOLOGY

UCEAP Transcript Title

BULL IN PHIL&PSYCH

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course explores various philosophical proposals that attempt to conceptually capture the activity of bullshitting and the mental state of those who engage in it. It addresses suggestions from the psychological debate related to the recipients of bullshit, focusing on the susceptibility to and the detection of bullshit. The focus of the seminar is on interdisciplinary discussion of the weekly seminar readings. Using Harry Frankfurt's essay "On Bullshit," questions include what is this phenomenon of misleading speech referred to as bullshit? How can bullshitting be distinguished from lying and deceiving? What are the bullshitter's goals? Who is particularly susceptible to falling for bullshit? And how can bullshit be recognized, exposed, or even overcome?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

51091

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Host Institution Campus

Humboldt University

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Institut für Philosophie

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