

# COURSE DETAIL

## MORAL AND POLITICAL CONTROVERSIES

**Country**

United Kingdom - Scotland

**Host Institution**

University of St Andrews

**Program(s)**

University of St Andrews

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Philosophy

**UCEAP Course Number**

115

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

MORAL AND POLITICAL CONTROVERSIES

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

MORAL&POL CONTROVRS

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## Course Description

Philosophy has often been said to begin with the question "how ought we to live?" This course introduces students to fundamental questions and problems in moral philosophy: how should we live; what ought we to do; what is it to be a good human being; and, in political philosophy, how ought we to live together? In moral philosophy the course looks at both applied and normative ethics. Topics in applied ethics include exploring particular moral issues, such as our obligations to those in severe need, and our treatment of non-human animals. Topics in normative ethics include exploring theoretical approaches to tackling such issues, for example utilitarian, Kantian, and virtue ethics. In political philosophy, the course explores central concepts such as liberty, equality, and democracy, and considers the extent to which we should give up some of our freedom in exchange for the protection of the state.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

PY1011

## Host Institution Course Title

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## Host Institution Campus

St Andrews

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Philosophy

**Course Last Reviewed**

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