

COURSE DETAIL

INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

Country

Ireland

Host Institution

Trinity College Dublin

Program(s)

Trinity College Dublin

UCEAP Course Level

Lower Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

32

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Transcript Title

INTRO PHILOSOPHY

UCEAP Quarter Units

5.00

UCEAP Semester Units

3.30

Course Description

The course offers an overview of Western philosophy and analyses the questions treated in its main branches. This course studies the Greeks as the founders of the Western philosophical tradition, key texts, and ideas relating to Presocratic philosophers, Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle, emphasizing on metaphysical questions about the nature of reality and of the soul. The course covers the medieval era through the philosophy of Thomas Aquinas, emphasizing on his use of an Aristotelian approach to metaphysical notions of substance and soul, as well as his arguments for the existence of God. The study of modern philosophy focuses on Descartes, Hume, Kant, and Wittgenstein. In this part of the course, students explore the views of these thinkers on questions like: What is knowledge, and is it possible? How is the mind related to the body? What is meant by virtue ethics? What is the relation between language and the world?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

REU12712

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<https://www.tcd.ie/students/orientation/visiting-exchange/assets/pdf/religion.p...>

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Religion

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