

COURSE DETAIL

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

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

118

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

UCEAP Transcript Title

PHIL OF LANGUAGE

UCEAP Quarter Units

6.00

UCEAP Semester Units

4.00

Course Description

We use language all the time to express our thoughts and understand others. But how does language work? Key questions covered in this course include: how do names refer to an object? Do words mean whatever we intend or use them to mean? What role does convention play in fixing meanings? Are our terms vague, or precise? Can a person have a private language? How do we communicate beyond the literal? What are speech acts and are they available to everyone in our society? All of these questions are of interest in their own right, and also have applications to further issues in philosophy and beyond.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PH238

Host Institution Course Title

PHILOSOPHY OF LANGUAGE

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method

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