

## COURSE DETAIL

### PHILOSOPHICAL THINKING

**Country**

Egypt

**Host Institution**

American University in Cairo

**Program(s)**

The American University in Cairo

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Philosophy

**UCEAP Course Number**

110

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

PHILOSOPHICAL THINKING

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

PHILOSOPHICAL THINK

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

## Course Description

This course, through the study of representative figures from the history of philosophy and its contemporary discourse, introduces the basic methods and aims of philosophical inquiry and develops the skills required for critical thinking. It opens the broad field of philosophical questions; but, more fundamentally, it is a course in questioning as such, as it cultivates the basic human desire to know. It is also about learning how to understand and how to be understood; it teaches students to listen to what others say, methodologically interpret what others have written, and take responsibility for their own words. This is accomplished through the close reading of texts of great intellectual distinction, patiently practicing the art of interpretation without easy answers, and carrying out a sustained effort to write thoughtfully. This course, thus, encourages students to think independently, responsibly, and critically. Prerequisites: first year writing course.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

PHIL 2100

### Host Institution Course Title

PHILOSOPHICAL THINKING

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### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Philosophy

**Course Last Reviewed**

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