

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

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Philosophy

Course Last Reviewed

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