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School of Philosophy

Department of Philosophy

The Department of Philosophy will offer the following courses to students of the ERASMUS+ and ERASMUS+ CIVIS Program during the academic year 2025-2026:

1. (PH 01) 'Philosophy and Science in Edmund Husserl's Phenomenology'

Instructor: Ms Fotini Vassiliou, fvassiliou@philosophy.uoa.gr, during the Fall Semester.

2. (PH 02-65PH16) 'History of Modern European Philosophy/ Geschichte der neueren europäischen Philosophie'

Instructor: George Iliopoulos, giliop@philosophy.uoa.gr, during the Fall Semester.

3. (PH 03-65PH20) 'Introduction to Ancient Greek Philosophy'

Instructor: George Iliopoulos, giliop@philosophy.uoa.gr, during the Spring Semester.

4. (PH 04) 'Philosophy of Classical Antiquity'

Instructor: Ms Eleni Perdikouri, eperdi@philosophy.uoa.gr, during the Spring Semester.

We would also like to inform you that, within the framework of the new English-speaking specialization of the Postgraduate Studies Program of the Department of Philosophy, the Department of Philosophy has decided to offer the following courses to ERASMUS+ postgraduate students in English:

1. (HPH01) Ancient Philosophy (Greek Philosophy), during the Fall Semester.

2. (HPH02) Byzantine Philosophy, during the Fall Semester.

3. (HPH03) Post-Byzantine Philosophy, during the Fall Semester.

4. (HPH04) Greek Philosophy and Gender, during the Spring Semester.

5. (HPH05) Greek and Modern Philosophy, during the Spring Semester.

6. (HPH06) Greek Philosophy and Applied Ethics, during the Spring Semester.

Please, find below the detailed description of the courses offered:

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

For Undergraduate courses in Philosophy in the Department of Philosophy, please note that courses are taught in **Greek**.

Consult the STUDENT AND FACULTY HANDBOOK- PHILOSOPHY (in English)

https://en.philosophy.uoa.gr/undergraduate_studies/curriculum

COURSES IN ENGLISH OFFERED TO ERASMUS+ AND CIVIS STUDENTS: DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY 2025-2026

Philosophy and Science in Edmund Husserl's Phenomenology

Instructor: Fotini Vassiliou (fvassiliou@philosophy.uoa.gr)

CODE: PH 01 **ECTS:** 9 Hours: 3

WINTER SEMESTER

Course Description:

During the present Seminar Course, we will closely study selected texts, written by Edmund Husserl (1859–1938), in order to shed light on the way his phenomenological thought critically deals with the sciences and looks for the conditions of their constitution and the clarification of their foundation. Central axis of discussion will be the relation between philosophy and science. Topics that, among others, will more particularly occupy us will be: (a) the refutation and rejection of psychologism – namely the philosophical thesis according to which the normative sciences can be exegetically reduced to Empirical Psychology, (b) the opposition to the prevalent program of naturalization of the mind and the latter's reduction to the nomological relations examined by the sciences, (c) the difference between exact and rigorous sciences, (d) the idea of the mathematization of nature and the role played by scientific idealizations, (e) the proper detection of the origin of the concepts and principles of Geometry and every other science in general at the relevant primordial intuitions, (f) the foundation crisis of the sciences and the need for regression back to the constituting transcendental consciousness and the lifeworld.

Open Access Material

(1) Sawicki, Marianne, "Edmund Husserl", *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*,

URL: <https://iep.utm.edu/husserl/>

(2) Beyer, Christian, "Edmund Husserl", *The Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy* (Winter 2020 Edition), Edward N. Zalta (ed.),

URL: <https://plato.stanford.edu/archives/win2020/entries/husserl/>

(3) Crease, Robert, "Phenomenology and Natural Science", *Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, URL: <https://iep.utm.edu/phenomsc/>

History of Modern European Philosophy / Geschichte der neueren europäischen Philosophie

Instructor: George Iliopoulos (giliop@philosophy.uoa.gr)

CODE: PH 02 (65PH16), **ECTS:** 9 Hours: 3

WINTER SEMESTER

Course Description:

In this course a critical reconstruction of the development of modern European philosophy from its early phase to the middle of the 19th century is undertaken. The focus is on both theoretical and practical philosophy, taking into account their independence as well as their unity. At first the intellectual climate at the beginning of the whole era is outlined, as it was determined by the predominance and the contestation of metaphysical dogmatism and theological authority. Then the aim is to explain and present the successive transitions that took place through criticism and rational discourse as well as under the influence of the determining socio-political conditions and led to the

formation of those philosophies that shaped the further development, i.e. the philosophies of Descartes, Spinoza, Pascal, Leibniz, Hobbes, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, Voltaire, Rousseau, Kant, Fichte, Schelling, Hegel, Schopenhauer, Feuerbach and Marx.

The students are expected to write an essay on a topic agreed with the lecturer. Fulfilling the obligations of the course is tantamount to achieving the goal of becoming familiar with the main ideas and problems that stood at the foreground in this period of the history of philosophy.

The course is offered in German and English. For the active participation and the required essays both languages are acceptable.

In diesem Kurs wird eine kritische Rekonstruktion der Entwicklung der neueren europäischen Philosophie von ihrer Frühphase bis in die Mitte des 19. Jh. unternommen. Dabei liegt der Fokus sowohl auf der theoretischen als auch auf der praktischen Philosophie unter Berücksichtigung ihrer Selbstständigkeit wie auch ihrer Einheit. Am Anfang wird das geistige Klima zu Beginn der ganzen Ära skizziert, das durch die Vorherrschaft und die Anzweiflung des metaphysischen Dogmatismus und der theologischen Autorität bestimmt wurde. Anschließend setzt man sich zum Ziel, die aufeinanderfolgenden Übergänge zu erklären und zu präsentieren, die durch Kritik und rationalen Diskurs sowie unter dem Einfluss der übergeordneten gesellschaftlich-politischen Verhältnisse stattfanden und zur Herausbildung derjenigen Philosophien führten, die die weitere Entwicklung prägten, d.h. der Philosophien von Descartes, Spinoza, Pascal, Leibniz, Hobbes, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, Voltaire, Rousseau, Kant, Fichte, Schelling, Hegel, Schopenhauer, Feuerbach und Marx.

Von den Studenten wird die Abfassung eines Aufsatzes zu einer mit dem Dozenten abgesprochenen Thematik erwartet. Die Erfüllung der Verpflichtungen des Kurses kommt der Erreichung des Ziels gleich, sich mit den Hauptideen und den Problemen vertraut zu machen, die in dieser Zeit der Geschichte der Philosophie im Vordergrund standen.

Der Kurs wird in deutscher und englischer Sprache angeboten. Für die aktive Teilnahme und die erforderlichen Aufsätze sind beide Sprachen grundsätzlich erlaubt und akzeptiert.

Introduction to Ancient Greek Philosophy

Instructor: George Iliopoulos (giliop@philosophy.uoa.gr)

CODE: PH 03 (65PH20), **ECTS:** 9 **Hours:** 3

SPRING SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course introduces students to the main theories of the major figures of ancient Greek philosophy, from its beginnings to late antiquity. In particular, the following are examined: (a) The concept, significance and periods of ancient Greek philosophy; the sources of information on ancient Greek philosophy; the historical birth of philosophy and its precursors; the themes of ancient Greek philosophy; (b) Historical development of ancient Greek philosophy: early Greek philosophy (pre-Socratics and sophists); Attic philosophy (Socrates, Plato, Aristotle), minor Socratics; Hellenistic philosophy (Epicureans, Stoics, Sceptics); philosophy of late antiquity (Middle Platonism and Neoplatonism).

The course is offered in German whereas for the active participation and the required essays the English language is also welcome.

Philosophy of Classical Antiquity

Instructor: Eleni Perdikouri (eperdi@philosophy.uoa.gr)

CODE : PH04 ECTS : 9 Hours: 3

SPRING SEMESTER

Course Description:

In this course we will study summarily some of the major tenets of Ancient Philosophy. We will examine the interwoven questions of being, knowledge and truth in selected texts from Plato's *Meno*, *Phaedo*, *Republic* and *Theaetetus*; and selected texts from Aristotle's *Metaphysics*, *De Anima* and *Posterior Analytics*.

The course is taught in English and/or in French. Final essays may be written either in English or in French.

POST GRADUATE STUDIES

COURSES OFFERED TO POSTGRADUATE ERASMUS+ STUDENTS: DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY 2025-2026

FOR POST GRADUATE STUDIES in HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY AND IDEAS (ENGLISH)

Level of English language requirement : B2

Courses delivered on line and on place

ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY (GREEK PHILOSOPHY)

CODE: HPH01 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

WINTER SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course is part of the field of the History of Philosophy, specifically Greek philosophy in the ancient world, from its beginnings to late antiquity. The aim of the course is to familiarize students with the basic concepts and theories of ancient Greek philosophy, as well as to approach the thought of its most important representatives.

BYZANTINE PHILOSOPHY

CODE HPH02 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

WINTER SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course aims at acquiring a broad and solid knowledge of contemporary scientific research on Byzantine Philosophy, the distinction between the various periods of Byzantine Philosophy, the understanding of the various directions of research and their representatives, the main themes of Byzantine philosophical activity, the main philosophical concepts treated by Byzantine Philosophy with emphasis on that of iconicity; the understanding of the relations of Byzantine Philosophy with its main ancient Greek sources (Plato, Aristotle, Hellenistic philosophies, Neoplatonism); the understanding of the contribution of Byzantine Philosophy to modern and contemporary philosophy and, in particular, to Byzantine philosophy of the B. Ph. as a pre-modern philosophy.

POST-BYZANTINE PHILOSOPHY

CODE: HPH03 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

WINTER SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course examines the evolution of Greek Philosophy after the fall of the Byzantine State and through the Renaissance to the Greek Enlightenment and beyond. The aim of the course is to

show the encounter of Greek thinking with the rise of the European spirit, modernity and the new forms of thinking.

GREEK PHILOSOPHY AND GENDER

CODE: HPH04 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

SPRING SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course will examine the presence of the question of gender into Greek philosophy, mainly of the classical era but not exclusively. A second part of the course will be devoted to the relation of Greek thought with modernity via the question of Gender.

GREEK AND MODERN PHILOSOPHY

CODE: HPH05 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

SPRING SEMESTER

Course Description:

The course will be centered on the idea that Greek philosophy marks the universal turn of the European modern philosophy. On this basis, it will be examined comparatively the Greek Philosophy with Modern Philosophy.

GREEK PHILOSOPHY AND APPLIED ETHICS

CODE: HPH06 ECTS: 10 Hours: 3

SPRING SEMESTER

Course Description:

Greek Philosophy has developed a series of autonomous sciences and some of them were applied in the classical sense. The course will examine the significance of these practices for the Applied philosophy of modernity.