FTEA12, Theoretical Philosophy: Level 1, 30 credits

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-
dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-03-07 to be valid from 2008-03-07, autumn semester 2008.

General Information

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a first
or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies
Theoretical Philosophy

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements
G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

• be able to give an account of various central concepts, issues and method in the
discipline of theoretical philosophy
• be able to give an overview of various important historical directions and issues in
theoretical philosophy from Antiquity up to and including the 20th century
• be able to give an overview of problems encountered within epistemology, the
philosophy of science, argumentation theory, logic, the philosophy of language
and the philosophy of mind.

Competence and skills
• be able to apply the working methods of theoretical philosophy in order to identify and analyse common types of argument
• be able to give an account of recently acquired knowledge and insights in both written and oral form, as part of a group or individually
• demonstrate the ability to analyse issues relevant to society, ethics and science, with the use of the concepts and methods of theoretical philosophy

Judgement and approach
• be able to recognise the value of both philosophical and personal critical reflection, regarding various forms of human knowledge and science
• be able to formulate relevant criticism of both individual philosophical arguments and complete theories.

Course content

The course introduces students to the history of analytical and theoretical philosophy and their basic methods, and to a certain extent specialises in issues relating to the philosophy of science and the philosophy of mind. Emphasis is placed on the development of the students’ ability to understand and develop a critical attitude to philosophical texts.

The course consists of the following sub-courses:

1. A Survey of the History of Philosophy, 7.5 credits,
2. Philosophical Method, 6 credits,
3. Philosophy from 1900, 6 credits,
4. The Philosophy of Science, 6 credits,
5. The Philosophy of Mind, 4.5 credits.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures, text and essay seminars, and practical exercises.

Assessment

Examinations take the form of invigilated examinations and submitted assignments. Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction. To be awarded the grade of Pass on the whole course the student shall have at least the grade of Pass on all sub-courses. To be awarded the grade of Pass with Distinction on the whole course the student shall have the grade of Pass with Distinction on at least 18 of the credits on the course and a grade of Pass on the remaining credits.
Entry requirements

General and courses corresponding to the following Swedish Upper Secondary School Programs: History 1 and Social Studies 1 or History A and Social Studies A

Further information

1. The course replaces FTE701.
2. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
3. The sub-course names in Swedish:
   1. Filosofihistorisk översiktskurs,
   2. Filosofisk metod,
   3. Filosofi från 1900,
   4. Vetenskapsteori,
   5. Tema medvetandefilosofi.
Subcourses in FTEA12, Theoretical Philosophy: Level 1

Applies from H07

0701  History of Philosophy, 7.5 hp
      Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
0702  Philosophical Method, 6.0 hp
      Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
0703  20th Century Philosophy, 6.0 hp
      Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
0704  Philosophy of Science, 6.0 hp
      Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
0705  Philosophy of Mind, 4.5 hp
      Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

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