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Faculties of Humanities and Theology

FTEK01, Theoretical Philosophy: Level 3 - B. A. Course, 30 credits

Teoretisk filosofi: Kandidatkurs, 30 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2008-04-03 to be valid from 2008-04-03, autumn semester 2008.

General Information

The course is offered as a single course. It can normally be included as part of a general degree at the undergraduate or graduate levels.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies

Theoretical Philosophy

Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for BA/BSc

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to give an account of the advanced-level current philosophical debate within the main areas of Theoretical Philosophy

Competence and skills

- be able to process philosophical approaches to problems taken from authentic published articles
- be able to relate published texts within a certain area of philosophy to each other

- be able to develop in-depth arguments concerning self-selected philosophical problems in connection with the composition of an essay.
- be able to compose his/her own texts which describe correctly and criticise advanced philosophical problems
- be able to conduct information searches relevant to the discipline of Theoretical Philosophy, analyse and interpret the information critically, and present it in an appropriate manner
- be able to examine and assess the validity of philosophical arguments presented in published texts
- be able to compare and assess various philosophical viewpoints presented in published texts
- be able to formulate his/her own standpoints on philosophical problems in connection with the composition of an essay

Judgement and approach

- be able to evaluate scientific, social and ethical aspects relevant to the field of Theoretical Philosophy
- demonstrate insight into the social role and function of Theoretical Philosophy and the responsibility of people for how it is used
- be able to identify his/her own need of further knowledge in the field of Theoretical Philosophy and to upgrade his/her capabilities.

Course content

The course deals with the central problems within the current debate in Theoretical Philosophy. Authentic published articles within the area of epistemology, metaphysics, logic, philosophy of the mind, and philosophy of science are analysed. Emphasis is placed on the proficiency training elements of the course in which students, in connection with seminars, summarise, analyse and evaluate the arguments which are presented in these articles, both orally and in writing. Students also compose a degree project on a self-selected philosophical issue. The project is presented at a seminar. Included is also the scrutiny of another student's project.

The course consists of the following sub-courses:

1. Key Issues in Modern Theoretical Philosophy, 15 credits,
2. Degree Project, 15 credits.

Course design

Teaching consists of seminars and individual tutoring in essay writing.

Assessment

Examination takes the form of submitted assignments and the degree project which is presented and discussed at a seminar. The discussion of the degree project of another student is also assessed.

Passed degree projects at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology can be registered in the LUP Student Papers database if the student so wishes. The student is

responsible for uploading the passed degree project as a PDF file in LUP student papers.

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 a Pass on the whole course the student shall have 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 15 of the credits on the course and a grade of Pass on the remaining credits.

Entry requirements

To be eligible for the course requires the successful completion of FTE702, FTEA21, FTEX72, or the equivalent.

Further information

1. The course replaces FTE603.
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. Centrala problem i modern teoretisk filosofi,
 2. Examensarbete.

Subcourses in FTEK01, Theoretical Philosophy: Level 3 - B. A. Course

Applies from H07

- 0701 Central Issues in Modern Theoretical Philosophy, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction
- 0702 Essay, 15,0 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction