

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

FPRB04, Practical Philosophy: History of Moral Philosophy, 7.5 credits

Praktisk filosofi: Moralfilosofins historia, 7,5 högskolepoäng First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2015-05-18 to be valid from 2015-05-18, spring semester 2015.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can normally be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

Main field of studies Depth of study relative to the degree

requirements

Practical Philosophy G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary

level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, the students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- account for some issues, theories and concepts within the history of moral philosophy
- provide a general description of historically important moral philosophers whose ideas have an impact on present-day moral philosophy
- provide a general description and account of important positions within ethics

Competence and skills

- employ some of the methods of practical philosophy in oral and written presentations
- demonstrate a basic ability to take a position on and discuss their own and others' positions with regard to issues of right, wrong, vice and virtue

Judgement and approach

• critically reflect on norms, values and the role of humanity in the world.

Course content

The course introduces the issues and approaches of practical philosophy within the field of moral philosophy. The key aspects are the status of values and actions. The theories of a number of historically important moral philosophers are presented and analysed. The course highlights methods of argumentation and critical thinking in relation to the different issues of moral philosophy.

Course design

The teaching consists of lectures and group exercises.

Assessment

The assessment is based on a written exam.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A.

Entry requirements

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

Further information

- 1. This course replaces FPRB03.
- 2. It is also a module within the course FPRA11. The credits can only be credited once for a degree.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The course is offered at the Department of Philosophy, Lund University.

Subcourses in FPRB04, Practical Philosophy: History of Moral Philosophy

Applies from H15

1501 History of Moral Philosophy, 7,5 hp Grading scale: Fail, E, D, C, B, A