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Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
PH111	Introduction to Philosophy I	1	3	0	0	3	6

Prerequisites	
Admission Requirements	

Language of Instruction	French
Course Type	Compulsory
Course Level	Bachelor Degree
Objective	By the end of this course, the student should have developed an understanding of basic philosophical disciplines and problems.
Content	Themes included by introduction to philosophy.
References	Denis Huisman: Nouveau Court Traité de Philosophie

Theory Topics

Week	Weekly Contents
1	Idea of philosophy – I: Etymology and definition of word “philosophy”. The function of “reflection” in philosophy.
2	Idea of philosophy – II: Technics and sagacity. Philosophical reflection and life.
3	Forms of human culture – I: Magic and science.
4	Forms of human culture – II: Technics, art, religion.
5	Principles of reason: Principe of identity, Principe of non-contradiction, Principe of excluded middle, Principe of sufficient reason.
6	Critics of universalist conception of principles of reason.
7	Mid-term
8	Logical reasoning: Deduction, induction, analogy.
9	Idea of truth - I: Definition of «reality» and «truth».
10	Different conceptions of truth: Theory of evidence-truth, theory of correspondance-truth, theory of coherence-truth, criterion of the pragmatism.
11	Idea of truth – II: Rationalism and hermeneutics: From the category of truth to category of meaning.
12	Criterion of falsifiability according to Popper.
13	Hermeneutic disciplines: Psychanalyse, exegesis, Marxism.
14	Final reflections