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Course Code	Course Name	Semester	Theory	Practice	Lab	Credit	ECTS
PH426	Analysis Philosophical Texts	8	3	0	0	3	4

Prerequisites

Admission Requirements

Language of Instruction Turkish

Course Type Elective

Course Level Bachelor Degree

Objective

This course, a continuation of the “Philosophical Texts” from the Fall semester, focuses on closely examining and analyzing major early modern philosophical writings. The series of lectures highlights how rational, moral, and political thinking evolved throughout the 17th and 18th centuries. By placing an emphasis on active engagement with the texts, the program seeks to empower students in textual analysis from the original language, conceptual reconstruction, and historical contextualization, rather than presenting a didactic collection of doctrines.

The semester will primarily concentrate on the oscillation between metaphysical rationalism and skeptical criticism, together with the moral, social, and historical roots of philosophy's reconstruction throughout this period.

The curriculum will explore how the objects, methods, and objectives of philosophy have evolved over time, tracing developments since the onset of modernity, from Thomas Hobbes to Sophie de Grouchy.

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Throughout the semester, we anticipate visiting lecturers from Sorbonne University's Philosophy Department to take part in brief lectures as part of our collaboration . As soon as the dates and subject matter of these interventions are confirmed, announcements will be made.

- * Leibniz, Essais de Théodicée

- * Hume, Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion

- * Smith, Of the Origin of Philosophy

References

- * Condorcet, Esquisse d'un Tableau Historique des Progrès de l'Esprit Humain

- * Hobbes, De Cive

- * Sophie de Grouchy, Lettres sur la Sympathie

Theory Topics

Week

Weekly Contents

- 1 Presentation of the Syllabus, General Characteristics of the Period
- 2 LEIBNIZ: Theodicy
- 3 LEIBNIZ: Theodicy (continued)
- 4 RATEAU: Is our world the best possible? Malebranche, Leibniz, and the problem of evil.
- 5 LEIBNIZ: Theodicy (continued)
- 6 HUME: Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion
- 7 HUME: Dialogues Concerning Natural Religion (continued)
- 8 SMITH: The Origin of Philosophy
- 9 SMITH: The Origin of Philosophy (continued)
- 10 GUILLIBERT: (to be announced)
- 11 CONDORCET: Outlines of an Historical View of the Progress of the Human Mind
- 12 HOBBS: De Cive
- 13 KOEHLIN: (to be announced)
- 14 DE GROUCHY: Letters on Sympathy