

**PHIL 5360 Seminar on Continental European Philosophy:
Phenomenology of Perception: From Husserl to Merleau-Ponty**

歐陸哲學專題研討：知覺現象學——從胡塞爾到梅洛龐蒂

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Tutorial and discussion: 30%; Short essays: 20%; Final essay: 50% (MA)

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A. Objective

This seminar proposes an overview of the development of phenomenology from Husserl (1859-1938) to Merleau-Ponty (1908-1961) under the guidance of the theme of phenomenology of perception. The continuity and divergence in the two phenomenologists' understanding of the Idea of phenomenology, phenomenological reduction, intentionality, the body and the world will be studied. Discussions and analyses will be conducted in close connection with the texts of Husserl and Merleau-Ponty. While English translations will basically be used, German and French originals and existing Chinese translations will be consulted.

B. Outline of topics

1. Introduction. Husserl and the phenomenological movement

Reading: J.N. Mohanty, "The Development of Husserl's Thought", in *The Cambridge Companion to Husserl*, ed. Smith, B. & Smith, D. W. (Cambridge & New York: The Cambridge University Press, 1995), pp. 45-77.

2. Husserl's Idea of phenomenological philosophy as a rigorous science

Reading: "Philosophy as Rigorous Science", in E. Husserl, *Phenomenology and the Crisis of Philosophy*, Eng. trans. Q. Lauer, 1965, pp. 71-147.

3. The phenomenological break-through in the *Logical Investigations*

Reading: "Task and significance of the *Logical Investigations*", in E. Husserl, *Phenomenological Psychology*, Eng. trans. J. Scanlon, 1977, pp. 14-33.

4. Defining the phenomenological attitude

a. Phenomenology as eidetic science

b. Phenomenological reduction as the gateway to the study of consciousness

Readings:

- a. "Naturalistic Misinterpretations", in E. Husserl, *Ideas I*, §§ 18-26, Eng. Trans. F. Kersten, pp. 33-48.
- b. "The Natural Attitude and its Exclusion", in E. Husserl, *Ideas I*, §§ 27-32, Eng. Trans. F. Kersten, pp. 51-62; also in *EH*, pp. 60-65.
- c. "Consciousness as Transcendental", in E. Husserl, *Ideas I*, §§ 33-36 and 41-46, Eng. Trans. F. Kersten, pp. 63-75, 86-104; also in *EH*, pp. 66-79.
- d. "The Region of Pure Consciousness", in E. Husserl, *Ideas I*, §§ 47-50 and 55, Eng. Trans. F. Kersten, pp. 105-113, 128-130; also in *EH*, pp. 79-85.

5. The intentional structure of consciousness

Readings: "The Noetic and Noematic Structure of Consciousness", in E. Husserl, *Ideas I*, §§ 87-90 and 93-95, Eng. Trans. F. Kersten, pp. 211-221, 226-233; also in *EH*, pp. 86-96.

6. The body as subject of perception and movement

Readings:

- a. "Objective Reality, Spatial Orientation, and the Body", in E. Husserl, *Ideas II*, §§ 18a-b and 18e-h, Eng. Trans. R. Rojcewicz and A. Schuwer, pp. 60-70, 82-95; also in *EH*, pp. 163-175.
- b. "The Self-Constitution of the Body", in E. Husserl, *Ideas II*, §§ 35-42, pp.151-169; also in *EH*, pp. 175-185.

7. Merleau-Ponty: a different practice of phenomenology

Readings: "The Primacy of Perception and Its Philosophical Consequences"

8. Merleau-Ponty: corporeal intentionality and body-schema

Readings: a. "The Spatiality of One's Own Body and Motility", Pt I, Ch. 3, *Phenomenology of Perception*, pp. 98-147.

b. "The Synthesis of One's own Body", Pt I, Ch. 4, *Phenomenology of Perception*, pp. 148-153.

9. Merleau-Ponty: existential dimensions of the body

Readings: a. "The Body in its Sexual Being", Pt I, Ch. 5, *Phenomenology of Perception*, pp. 154-173

b. "The Body as Expression and Speech", Pt I, Ch. 6, *Phenomenology of Perception*, pp. 174-199.

10. Merleau-Ponty's phenomenology of art

Reading: “Cézanne’s doubt”, in *The Merleau-Ponty Aesthetics Reader*, ed. G. A. Johnson (Evanston, Illinois: Northwestern University Press, 1993), pp. 59-75.

C. Main Texts of Husserl used

1. *Phenomenology and the Crisis of Philosophy*, Eng. trans. Q. Lauer (New York: Harper & Row, 1965).
2. *Ideas Pertaining to a Pure Phenomenology and to a Phenomenological Philosophy, First Book: General Introduction to a Pure Phenomenology*, Eng. trans. Fred Kersten, The Hague / Boston / London: M. Nijhoff, 1982; = *Ideas I*.
3. *Ideas Pertaining to a Pure Phenomenology and to a Phenomenological Philosophy, Second Book: Studies in the Phenomenology of Constitution*, Eng. trans. R. Rojcewicz and A. Schuwer, Dordrecht / Boston / London: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1989 ; = *Ideas II*.
4. *Phenomenological Psychology: Lectures, Summer Semester, 1925*, Eng. trans. J. Scanlon (The Hague : M. Nijhoff), 1977
5. *The Essential Husserl: Basic Writings in Transcendental Phenomenology*, ed. Don Welton (Bloomington & Indianapolis: Indiana University Press, 1999); = *EH*.

D. Main Texts of Merleau-Ponty used

1. *The Primacy of Perception and other essays on Phenomenological Psychology, the Philosophy of Art, History and Politics*, ed. & introd. James M. Edie (Evanston: Northwestern University Pr., 1964)
2. *The Phenomenology of Perception*, Eng. trans. C. Smith (London: Routledge, 1962).
3. *The Merleau-Ponty Aesthetics Reader*, ed. G. A. Johnson (Evanston, Illinois: Northwestern University Press, 1993).

E. Useful Commentaries on Husserl’s Phenomenology

a. Introductory Commentaries

1. Zahavi, Dan. *Husserl’s Phenomenology* (Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2003).

b. Advanced Commentaries

2. Bell, D. *Husserl* (London & New York: Routledge, 1990).
3. Bernet, Rudolf. *La vie du sujet. Recherches sur l’interprétation de Husserl dans la phénoménologie* (Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 1994).
4. Bernet, Rudolf. *Conscience et existence. Perspectives phénoménologiques* (Paris: Presses Universitaires de France, 2004).
5. Bernet, R., Kern, I. & Marbach, E. *An Introduction to Husserlian Phenomenology*

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 7. Derrida, Jacques. *The Problem of Genesis in Husserl's Philosophy*, Eng. trans. Marian Hobson (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2003).
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 9. Elveton, R. O. (ed.) *The Phenomenology of Husserl. Selected Critical Readings* (Chicago: Quadrangle Books, 1970).
 10. Embree, L. etc. (eds.) *Encyclopedia of Phenomenology* (Dordrecht/Boston/London: Kluwer Academic Publisher, 1997).
 11. Hopkins, Burt C. (ed.) *Husserl in Contemporary Context* (Dordrecht / Boston / London: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1997).
 12. Kockelmans, J. J. *A First Introduction to Husserl's Phenomenology* (Pittsburgh: Duquesne University Press, 1967).
 13. Lavigne, J.-F. *Husserl et la naissance de la phénoménologie (1900-1913)* (Paris : Presses Universitaires de France, 2005).
 14. Lavigne, J.-F. *Accéder au transcendantal ? Réduction et Idéalisme transcendantal dans les Idées I de Husserl* (Paris : J. Vrin, 2009).
 15. Levinas, E. *The Theory of Intuition in Husserl's Phenomenology*, Eng. trans. André Orianne (Evanston, Ill. : Northwestern University Press, 2nd ed. 1995).
 16. Levinas, E. *Discovering Existence with Husserl*, Eng. trans. R. A. Cohen & M. B. Smith (Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 1998).
 17. Lyotard, J.-F. *Phenomenology*, Eng. trans. Brian Beakley (Albany: State University of New York Press, 1991).
 18. Mckenna, W., Harlan, R. M. and Winters, L. E. (eds.) *A Priori and World: European Contributions to Husserlian Phenomenology* (The Hague / Boston / London: M. Nijhoff, 1981).
 19. Mohanty, J. N. & McKenna, W. R. (ed.) *Husserl's Phenomenology: A Textbook* (Lanham & London: University Press of America, 1989).
 20. Moran, Dermot. *Introduction to Phenomenology* (London & New York: Routledge, 2000, Ch. 2-5), pp. 60-191 ; 《現象學導論》，德穆·莫倫著，蔡錚雲譯（台北：桂冠，2005）。
 21. Moran, Dermot and Embree, Lester E. (ed.) *Phenomenology: Critical Concepts in Philosophy*, 5 Vols (London ; New York : Routledge, 2004).
 22. Natanson, M. *Edmund Husserl: Philosopher of Infinite Tasks* (Evanston: Northwestern University Press, 1973).
 23. Ricoeur, P. *Husserl: An Analysis of his Phenomenology*, Eng. trans. L. Embree (Evanston:

- Northwestern University Press, 1967).
24. Smith, B. & Smith, D. W. (ed.) *The Cambridge Companion to Husserl* (Cambridge & New York: The Cambridge University Press, 1995).
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 32. 汪文聖：《胡塞爾與海德格》（台北：遠流，1995）
 33. 汪文聖：《現象學與科學哲學》（台北：五南，2001）
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 35. 蔡錚雲：《從現象學到後現代》（台北：五南，2001）。
 36. 黑爾德：《世界現象學》，孫周興編，倪梁康等譯（上海：三聯，2003）。
 37. 關子尹：〈胡塞爾的「世界界域」理論——從現象學觀點看世界〉，收《從哲學的觀點看》（台北：東大，1994），頁 129-155。
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2. Gutting, G. "Ch. 7: Merleau-Ponty", in *French Philosophy in the Twentieth Century*, pp. 181-212.
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4. Spiegelberg, H. "The Phenomenological Philosophy of Maurice Merleau-Ponty (1908-1961)", in *The Phenomenological Movement*, 3rd ed., 1980, Part 3, Chap. XI, pp. 537-584; 中譯本：《現象學運動》，第十一章，頁 738-799。
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12. Romdenh-Romluc, K. *Routledge Philosophy Guidebook to Merleau-Ponty and Phenomenology of Perception* (London and New York: Routledge, 2011).
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