PHIL2050 History of Western Philosophy II 西方哲學史(二)

Course Outline

Mode of Teaching: TBC

Time: H 3:30pm-5:15pm Location: WYST

H 5:30pm-6:15pm WYST

Course overview (as shown on CUSIS)

The course introduces students to the history of modern Western philosophy. Topics include: philosophical backgrounds and movements leading to modern philosophy, the confrontation between rationalism and empiricism, Kant's critical philosophy, Hegel's idealism, and other 19th-century philosophical developments.

Advisory to Majors: to be taken in year 2.

Learning outcomes (as shown on CUSIS)

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Topics

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Continental Rationalism
 - a. René Descartes
 - b. Baruch de Spinoza
 - c. Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz
- 3. British Empiricism
 - a. John Locke
 - b. George Berkeley
 - c. David Hume
- 4. German Idealism
 - a. Immanuel Kant
 - b. Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel

Learning activities

- 1. Lecture: 2.5 hours each week
- 2. Interactive Tutorial: three 2-hour sessions (plus one briefing session)
- 3. Reading: 3-4 hours each week

Assessment scheme as prescribed on CUSIS (revise if necessary)

Task nature	Description	Weight
Final Exam		60%
Short Essays		20%
Tutorials		20%

Backup plan for assessment in case face-to-face teaching and assessment is not possible due to the pandemic

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Remarks on Assessment Scheme (if any)

Grade Descriptor

Please refer to: http://phil.arts.cuhk.edu.hk/~phidept/UG/Grade_descriptors.pdf

Recommended learning resources

- 1. F. C. Copleston, A History of Philosophy, 9 vols. (esp. vols. 1-3), New York: Image Books, 1993.
- 2. W. K. C. Guthrie, A History of Greek Philosophy, 6 vols., Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1962-.
- 3. G. W. F. Hegel, *Lectures on the history of philosophy: the lectures of 1825-1826*, ed. R. F. Brown, trans. R.F. Brown and J.M. Stewart with the assistance of H.S. Harris, Berkeley: University of California Press, 1990.
- 4. A. Kenny, A New History of Western Philosophy, Oxford University Press, 2012.
- 5. B. Russell, A History of Western Philosophy, London: Routledge, 1993.
- 6. W. Windelband, A History of Philosophy: With Special Reference to the Formation and Development of its Problems and Conceptions, trans. J. H. Tufts, New York: Macmillan Co., 1901.
- 7. 傳偉勳,《西洋哲學史》。台北:三民書局,1965。

Course schedule

Week	Topics	Teaching Mode Online / in-campus	Required reading	Tutorials	Remarks
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Details of course website

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