

SYLLABUS

REGARDING THE QUALIFICATION CYCLE FROM 2024 TO 2027 ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027

1. BASIC COURSE/MODULE INFORMATION

Course/Module title	Philosophy
Course/Module code *	O4
Faculty (name of the unit offering the field of study)	College of Humanities
Name of the unit running the course	Institute of Modern Languages
Field of study	Media, Visual and Social Communication
Qualification level	Bachelor's degree
Profile	general academic
Study mode	full-time
Year and semester of studies	Year 3, semester 6
Course type	subsidiary
Language of instruction	English
Coordinator	Dr Paweł Balcerak
Course instructor	Dr Paweł Balcerak

* - as agreed at the faculty

1.1. Learning format – number of hours and ECTS credits

Semester (no.)	Lectures	Classes	Laboratories	Seminars	Practical classes	Internships	others	ECTS credits
6	15							1

1.2. Course delivery methods

- conducted in a traditional way

1.3. Course/Module assessment (exam, pass with a grade, pass without a grade)

- pass without a grade

2. PREREQUISITES

none

3. OBJECTIVES, LEARNING OUTCOMES, COURSE CONTENT, AND INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

3.1. Course/Module objectives

O1	The course introduces students to the main ideas of Western philosophy, which have had a decisive impact on contemporary ideas in science, politics, ethics, psychology, religion, and art.
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3.2. COURSE/MODULE LEARNING OUTCOMES (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COORDINATOR)

Learning Outcome	The description of the learning outcome defined for the course/module	Relation to the degree programme outcomes
LO_01	The graduate knows and understands the main ideas of Western philosophy, which have had a decisive impact on contemporary ideas in science, politics, ethics, psychology, religion, art.	K_W05

3.3. Course content (to be completed by the coordinator)

A. Lectures

Content outline
1. Ionian School – the beginning of philosophy. 2. Eleatics – “What Is it; for it is to be, but nothing it is not” 3. Plato - The way from opinion to knowledge. Stages of moral education. 4. Aristotle - What is happiness? What makes a man a good man is the state of his character. 5. Rene Descartes - What am I? The mind–body problem. 6. Kant - The principle of morality - the categorical imperative. 7. Bertrand Russell - Science tells us what we can know, but what we can know is little. 8. Martin Heidegger - The forgotten question about existential experience, about our being. 9. Wittgenstein - The limits of the language of science.

2. Classes, laboratories, seminars, practical classes

Content outline

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3.4. Methods of Instruction

Problem-solving lecture, lecture supported by a multimedia presentation

4. Assessment techniques and criteria

4.1 Methods of evaluating learning outcomes

Learning outcome	Methods of assessment of learning outcomes (e.g. test, oral exam, written exam, project, report, observation during classes)	Learning format (lectures, classes,...)
LO-01	TEST	LECTURES

4.2 Course assessment criteria

To pass the course, a student must obtain at least 60% of the possible points on the final test. The test consists of 20 multiple-choice questions and covers topics discussed during the lecture. Partial points are also considered, which students earn for active participation in discussions and preparation for classes (max 2 points).

5. Total student workload needed to achieve the intended learning outcomes – number of hours and ECTS credits

Activity	Number of hours
Course hours	15
Other contact hours involving the teacher (consultation hours, examinations)	5
Non-contact hours - student's own work (preparation for classes or examinations, projects, etc.)	5
Total number of hours	25
Total number of ECTS credits	1

* one ECTS point corresponds to 25-30 hours of total student workload

6. Internships related to the course/module

Number of hours	
Internship regulations and procedures	

7. Instructional materials

Compulsory literature:

<https://plato.stanford.edu/contents.html> (sections relating to discussed topics).

Coplestone, F. 1993. A History of Philosophy Vol. 1, 4, 6 (fragments).

Complementary literature:

Russell, B. 1967. History of Western Philosophy.

Descartes, R. 2018. Meditations On First Philosophy.

Wittgenstein, L. 2006. Tractatus Logico-Philosophicus.

Approved by the Head of the Department or an authorised person