

Introduction à la philosophie dans ses rapports avec les sciences politiques et sociales

PHIL-D101 | 2024-2025

Lecturer

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Course mnemonic

PHIL-D101

ECTS credits

5 credits

Language(s) of instruction

French

Course period

First term

Campus

Solbosch

and included in the Syllabus are essential reading, which must accompany the course.

It is recommended that students read some of the works cited in the course themselves. It is up to them to make a choice according to their interests.

Some of the books that can be recommended include

1/General and panoramic books with pedagogical virtues:

Karl Jaspers, *Introduction à la philosophie*.

Maurice Merleau-Ponty, *Éloge de la philosophie*.

Robert Spaemann, *Notions fondamentales de morale*.

Ruwen Ogien, *L'influence de l'odeur des croissants chauds sur la bonté humaine et autres questions de philosophie morale expérimentale*.

Pierre Manent, *Cours familier de philosophie politique*.

Raymond Aron, *Les Etapes de la pensée sociologique*.

2/Important texts by ancient and modern philosophers:

Platon, *Apologie de Socrate — Gorgias — République*.

Aristote, *Ethique à Nicomaque*.

Spinoza, *Traité théologico-politique*.

Emmanuel Kant, *Qu'est-ce que s'orienter dans la pensée ? — Théorie et pratique — Projet de paix perpétuelle — Fondements de la métaphysique des mœurs*.

Emile Durkheim, *Sociologie et philosophie*.

Max Weber, *Le Savant et le politique*.

Léo Strauss, *Qu'est-ce que la philosophie politique ?*

Hannah Arendt, *Condition de l'homme moderne*.

Michel Foucault, *Surveiller et punir. — La Volonté de savoir*.

John Rawls, *Théorie de la justice ; Libéralisme politique*.

Cornelius Castoriadis, *L'Institution imaginaire de la société*.

Claude Lefort, *Essais sur le politique. — La Complication*.

Bruno Karsenti, Cyril Lemieux, *Socialisme et sociologie*.

Course content

The course gives an overview of the meaning and history of philosophical activity in the light of the dual question of the relationship between theory and practice and the status of philosophy in relation to politics and sociology.

Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

The student should be able to master a certain number of basic philosophical concepts and issues, linked to knowledge of the arguments and positions of some major philosophical thoughts with an explicitly political or social scope (in particular Plato, Aristotle, Kant, Count, Marx, Weber, Durkheim, Arendt).

Pre-requisites and co-requisites

Required knowledge and skills

A good command of French expression and argumentation is necessary.

Teaching method and learning activities

Lectures accompanied by compulsory readings to be done by the students.

References, bibliography and recommended reading

The choice of classical texts and the theoretical and historical complements to the course which will be put online on the UV

Course notes

Syllabus and Université virtuelle

Other information

Place(s) of teaching

Solbosch

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Evaluation method(s)

Other

Evaluation method(s) (additional information)

Written examination (duration: two hours) in the form of an open questionnaire (six-seven questions), dealing with conceptual definitions and historical knowledge relating to what will have been studied in class and/or presented in the compulsory readings.

Required competences: being able to attribute a thesis to an author and situate it in relation to other doctrines, give the meaning(s) of a notion, present the characteristics of a doctrine.

In the case of an online examination required by health circumstances, the questions will be posed in such a way that the student must select the relevant information and correctly articulate the knowledge he or she will be able to find in the syllabus.

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Main language(s) of evaluation

French

Programmes

Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences

BA-HHIST | Bachelor in History | unit 2 and unit 3, BA-POLI | Bachelor in Political Sciences : General | unit 1, BA-SHUM | Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences | option Bruxelles/unit 1 and BA-SOCA | Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology | unit 1

