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Séminaire II : Philosophy of mind (2PH2126)

Filières concernées	Nombre d'heures	Validation	Crédits ECTS
Master en sciences cognitives	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5
Pilier principal M A - philosophie	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5
Pilier secondaire M A - philosophie	Cours: 2 ph	Voir ci-dessous	5

ph=période hebdomadaire, pg=période globale, j=jour, dj=demi-jour, h=heure, min=minute

Période d'enseignement:

- Semestre Automne

Equipe enseignante

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This course intends to show how the philosophy of mind allows for a systematic treatment of some of our central folk psychological concepts: perceptual states (seeing, feeling), thoughts, imaginings, conative states (desires, wishes, intentions), psychological dispositions (inclinations, tendencies, traits), consciousness (reflexivity and phenomenology). The course aims at shedding light on the nature of these concepts, how they differ and relate to one another. Starting with common sense, we will try to answer the following questions: What are mental states? How do mental states represent the outside world? How to understand consciousness and what challenges it poses to contemporary research? Can the mind act on the world, and if so, how? Are we more than the set of our psychological states? How do we know ourselves?

Forme de l'évaluation

(1) A short presentation in class (max 30 minutes) + (2) a 12-page paper written at home.

The final grade averages (1) and (2)

NB: work that is not submitted by the required deadline, without good cause, will not be accepted and will automatically result in a fail for that given assessment.

Documentation

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Pré-requis

None.