

# Opasraportti

## HuTK - Ethics 2009-2011 (2009 - 2011)

### Ethics

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### Admission requirements

Study of Practical Ethics and World Views is available as a minor subject to all attending students of the University of Oulu.

### Study guidance

Study guidance is provided by Lecturer Erkki Urpilainen, tel. +358-8-553 3305, email [erkki.urpilainen\[at\]oulu.fi](mailto:erkki.urpilainen[at]oulu.fi).

### Overview of the Subject

Study of Practical Ethics and World Views is a subject taught in Finnish schools, taken by pupils who do not belong to any religious denomination or who are not provided with religious education in their own religion. It is a multidisciplinary school subject that is based on philosophy as well as on social and cultural sciences. With regard to the subject, human beings are considered agents who create and recreate their culture, experiencing and creating meanings in their interaction. World views, human practices and related meanings are seen as results of the interaction between individuals, communities and our cultural heritage. Study of Practical Ethics and World Views emphasizes the human rational ability to observe one's world and actively manage one's own life.

The aim of the teaching in the school subject Study of Practical Ethics and World Views is to provide the pupil with the ability and skills to grow up to be an independent, tolerant, responsible and mature member of his/her community. The teaching is designed to support the pupil's growth into a democratic citizen, which, in our globalizing and rapidly changing world, requires the development of ethical thinking and practice, related extensive knowledge and skills, as well as to increase general knowledge on issues related to culture and ideologies. The teaching provided in Study of Practical Ethics and World Views is based on and inspired by the idea of one's opportunity to grow into a free, equal and critical subject with the ability to make life better.

Corresponding studies at the University of Oulu provide students with the qualification to teach Study of Practical Ethics and World Views as a second teaching subject. This requires the completion of the Basic and Intermediate Studies (60 ECTS credits).

### Courses at different levels

#### *Basic Studies 25 credits*

1. 700660P Introduction to the Study of Practical Ethics and World Views 2 credits
2. 700095P Sciences and the Evolution of World Views 3 credits
3. 700672P The Gender Perspective 3 credits
4. 700096P History of Political and Social Ideas 3 credits
5. 700662P Philosophical Ethics 2 credits
6. 700673P History of Sexual Minorities 3 credits
7. 700613P Global Ethics 3 credits
8. 700663P Global Problems 3 credits
9. 700202P Global Approach to the History of Ideas 3 credits

#### *Intermediate Studies 35 credits*

1. 700664A Fundamental Ethical Questions 6 credits
2. 700674A Minorities in Finland 3 credits
3. 700675A History of Atheism 3 credits
3. 700666A History of Philosophy 5 credits
4. 700667A Cultural Philosophy 4 credits
5. 700676A World Religions 5 credits
6. 700669A Multiculturalism 3 credits
7. 700670A Environmental Philosophy 3 credits
8. 700671A Mythologies 3 credits

### **Learning Objectives**

After completing the Basic Studies, students will have the knowledge, skills and conceptual abilities to study the world they live in rationally and take active control of their lives. They will understand that different world views, human practises and their meanings are results of the interplay among individuals, communities and cultural heritage.

After completing the Intermediate Studies, students will have the qualifications to teach Ethics as a second subject. They will have a comprehensive understanding of the various philosophies of life. In addition, they will be able to apply their philosophical, cultural and historical abilities to improving their ethical thinking and acting.

## **Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot**

- 700667A: Cultural Philosophy, 4 op
- 700670A: Environmental Philosophy, 3 op
- 700664A: Fundamental Ethical Questions, 6 op
- 700202P: Global Approach to the History of Ideas, 3 op
- 700613P: Global Ethics, 3 op
- 700663P: Global Problems, 3 op
- 700675A: History of Atheism, 3 op
- 700666A: History of Philosophy, 5 op
- 700096P: History of Political and Social Ideas, 3 op
- 700673P: History of Sexual Minorities, 3 op
- 700660P: Introduction to the Study of practical Ethics and World views, 2 op
- 700674A: Minorities in Finland, 3 op
- 700669A: Multiculturalism, 3 op
- 700671A: Mythologies, 3 op
- 700662P: Philosophical Ethics, 2 op
- 700095P: Sciences and the Evolution of World Views, 3 op
- 700672P: The Gender Perspective, 3 op
- 700676A: World Religions, 5 op

## **Opintojaksojen kuvaukset**

## Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

### 700667A: Cultural Philosophy, 4 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Kari Antero

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700667A Cultural Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

4 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an understanding of the development of Finnish philosophy in the 20th century, in particular with regard to Axiology, Ethics and Cultural Philosophy.

**Contents:**

History of Finnish Cultural Philosophy in the 20th century.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Salmela: Suomalaisen kulttuurifilosofian vuosisata

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

### 700670A: Environmental Philosophy, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Kari Antero

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700670A Environmental Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe various issues of Environmental Philosophy in the framework of current research.

**Contents:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

History and key research questions of Environmental Philosophy

**Recommended or required reading:**

Oksanen (toim.): Ympäristöfilosofia, or Väyrynen: Ympäristöfilosofian historia määrittämyytistä Marxiin

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

**700664A: Fundamental Ethical Questions, 6 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Kari Antero

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700664A Fundamental Ethical Questions (OPEN UNI) 6.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

6 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to examine values philosophically in the contexts of culture and nature. He/she will also be able to philosophically analyze various topical issues in Practical Ethics.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Three of the following:

Haapala (ed.) Arvot, tiede, taide; Haapala & Oksanen (eds.): Arvot ja luonnon arvottaminen; Reiners & Seppä (eds.): Etiikka ja estetiikka; Airaksinen (ed.): Ammattien ja ansaitsemisen etiikka; Karjalainen (ed.): Tutkijan eettiset valinnat; Mäntylä: Journalistin etiikka; Launis: Geeniteknologia, arvot ja vastuu; Spicker - Engelhardt (eds.): Philosophical Medical Ethics: Its Nature and Significance; Velasquez: Business Ethics.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

**700202P: Global Approach to the History of Ideas, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 - 31.07.2015

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700202P Global Approach to the History of Ideas (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to recognize the basic features of the Asian, American and African History of Ideas.

**Contents:**

Asian, American and African History of Ideas

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or literature exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Mohammad Fazlhashemi (ed.): Vidgade vyer.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Niina Timosaari

## 700613P: Global Ethics, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Kari Antero

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700613P Global Ethics (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an understanding of various global ethical and political problems in the era of globalization.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Sihvola: Maailmankansalaisen etiikka; or Gylling (ed.): Kehityksen etiikka ja filosofia; or Attfeld: The Ethics of the Global Environment.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

## 700663P: Global Problems, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700663P Global Problems (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to address certain key global problems.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Pekka Isaksson & Jouko Jokisalo: Kallonmittaajia ja skinejä - rasismin aatehistoriaa, and David Held & Anthony McGrew: Globalisaatio - puolesta ja vastaan; Tim Flannery: Ilmaston muuttajat.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Niina Timosaari

## 700675A: History of Atheism, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700675A History of Atheism (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be familiar with the main developments in the history of European atheism and critique of religions.

**Contents:**

History of European atheism and critique of religions

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Dawkins: Jumalharha

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen

## 700666A: History of Philosophy, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Kallinen, Maija Sinikka

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700666A History of Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

5 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the main trends and classics of philosophical thought.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Nordin: Filosofian historia

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

## 700096P: History of Political and Social Ideas, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Jarmo Pulkkinen

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700096P History of Political and Social Ideas (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the key developments in thinking about society, the state, politics and social movements, from Antiquity to the present.

**Contents:**

History of political and social ideas from Antiquity to the present.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or literature exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Sven-Erik Liedman: Från Platon till kommunismens fall

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen

## 700673P: History of Sexual Minorities, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700673P History of Sexual Minorities (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an understanding of the history and status of sexual minorities in society.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Mustola & Pakkanen (eds.): Sateenkaari-Suomi

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Niina Timosaari

## 700660P: Introduction to the Study of practical Ethics and World views, 2 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700660P Introduction to the Study of practical Ethics and World views (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

2 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will understand the nature of the Study of Practical Ethics and World Views as a school subject.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Series of lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Kamppinen Matti (ed.): Elämäkatsomustieto.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Niina Timosaari

**700674A: Minorities in Finland, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700674A Minorities in Finland (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an idea of the history, culture and customs of the traditional ethnical minorities in Finland.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Pulma: Suljetut ovet; Pentikäinen: Saamelaiset: pohjoisen kansan mytologia

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen

**700669A: Multiculturalism, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700669A Multiculturalism (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to understand and analyze various problems related to the interaction between various cultures in Finland.

**Contents:**

Issues related to the interaction between various cultures in Finland

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Näkökulmia monikulttuuriseen Suomeen, and Lehtonen & Löytty & Ruuska: Suomi toisin sanoen.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen

## 700671A: Mythologies, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700671A Mythologies (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be familiar with the mythological heritage of Western culture.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty of History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Kaimio (ed.): Antiikin myytit ja uskonnot, and Leikola Anto: Seireenejä, kentaureja ja merihirviötä

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen

## 700662P: Philosophical Ethics, 2 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Kari Antero

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700662P Philosophical Ethics (OPEN UNI) 2.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

2 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an understanding of the main trends in philosophical ethics as well as related critique.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Pietarinen & Poutanen: Etiikan teorioita.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Kari Väyrynen

## 700095P: Sciences and the Evolution of World Views, 3 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Kallinen, Maija Sinikka

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700095P Sciences and the Evolution of World Views (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to describe the key developments in scientific thinking from Antiquity to the present. He/she will be familiar with the greatest revolutions in scientific thinking, understanding their importance from the viewpoint of world views. The student will also be able to pinpoint various social conditions for science, changes in man's relationship to nature and the concept of scientific rationality.

**Contents:**

History of scientific thinking from Antiquity to the present

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Web course (limited participation) or literature exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Peter Whitfield: Landmarks in Western Science

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Maija Kallinen

**700672P: The Gender Perspective, 3 op****Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700672P The Gender Perspective (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

3 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will have an understanding of how masculinity and femininity are constructed and how sexual identities and sexuality have changed in European history.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Series of lectures or book examination on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Timm&Sanborn: Gender, Sex and the Shaping of Modern Europe

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written examination

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Niina Timosaari

**700676A: World Religions, 5 op****Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2009 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700676A World Religions (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä**ECTS Credits:**

5 credits

**Language of instruction:**

Finnish

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to analyze different religions and discuss various philosophical problems related to religions.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

Lectures or book exam on the examination day of the Faculty or History Sciences

**Recommended or required reading:**

Pentikäinen: Uskonnot maailmassa, and Pyysiäinen: Jumalten keinu

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Written exam

**Grading:**

0-5

**Person responsible:**

Jarmo Pulkkinen