

Opasraportti

Philosophy (2014 - 2015)

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Admission requirements

Philosophy can be studied by any student presently registered and enrolled at the University.

Commencement of studies

At the beginning of each term, the history department publishes a curriculum of Philosophy courses scheduled to be taught. Information regarding possible information sessions is posted on the Philosophy programme's notice board in the history department.

Study guidance

Study guidance is provided by the Lecturer of Philosophy, tel. +358 29 448 3311.

Philosophy

Philosophy is considered the oldest of all sciences. It studies the methodological problems common to all disciplines and eras, as well as ideological questions concerning human knowledge, language, argumentation and questions irreducible to these problems. Philosophy also explores questions concerning social and ethical principles as well. Central fields of study in Philosophy are metaphysics, logic, epistemology, philosophy of science, principles of natural and social sciences, values, ethics, aesthetics and social philosophy. The history of philosophy provides an overall view of the entirety of which these fields consist. The history of sciences explores how as sciences evolve the connection between science and philosophy is constantly renewed. Studies in the Philosophy programme provide a suitable foundation for analysing the advance of sciences through the study of principles, methods and values. Studying ethics and values from the viewpoint of philosophy is also useful in promoting social discourse.

Philosophical methods have proven especially beneficial in the academic education of researchers. Therefore the Philosophy study package is a suitable optional or additional subsidiary (minor) subject for all degree programmes in

the Faculty of Humanities as well as programmes in the fields of the natural sciences, technical and medical fields, social and educational sciences and cultural research. Studies in philosophy can also be an advantage for postgraduate studies in various disciplines.

In addition, philosophy has recently become a compulsory subject in Finnish upper secondary schools, and demand for qualified teachers has increased significantly. Therefore it is a suitable subsidiary subject for students from various fields who aim to become teachers.

Any student enrolled at the University of Oulu can choose Philosophy as a subsidiary subject.

Practical information

Students can complete two study packages in Philosophy:

- Basic studies (25 ECTS credits)
- Intermediate studies (35 ECTS credits)

Nearly all courses in Philosophy can be completed as a book examination. Logic 700604P, for which the lecture course is recommended, is an exception as are the following courses (which are completed as seminar workshops): 700606 P A Classical Philosophy Work and Its Interpretation I; 700616A Seminar Course on Critical Reading; and 700617A A Classical Philosophy Work and Its Interpretation II. Students must sign up for book examinations ten days before the exam via WebOodi. The Lecturer of Philosophy is responsible for grading all book exams. One exception, however, is 700604P Logic, which is the responsibility of Lecturer Markku Mäki and can be taken as a book upon agreement. Book exams can be taken on the general examination days of the Faculty of Humanities or on the examination days of the degree group (Group I – History).

Advanced Level Courses in Philosophy are not taught at the University of Oulu and must be completed at other universities. Information on various alternatives can be obtained from the Lecturer of Philosophy.

The person responsible for the Basic and Intermediate study packages is the Lecturer of Philosophy.

Study packages and learning outcomes

Basic Studies 25 ECTS credits

After completing the Basic Studies package, students will have gained an understanding of the special nature of philosophical questions, their historical permanence and their significance in critical analysis of various disciplines, society and culture. Students can also perceive both the theoretical and practical significance of philosophy and are able to ask meaningful philosophical questions concerning ethically conscious every-day life as well as grasp the principles of their fields of study. The students will understand the central fundamental concepts and fundamental fields of theoretical and practical philosophy. Students will also be familiar with the main classics as well as historical stages of development in philosophy and can interpret elementary classical texts. Students should also possess the basic skills needed for constructive philosophical dialogue in seminars.

Intermediate Studies 35 ECTS credits

Intermediate Studies provides the student with a more fundamental overall view of the theories behind the contemporary trends in philosophy, and after completion the student should be knowledgeable about contemporary developments in Finnish philosophy. Students should have deepened their knowledge of ethics and be familiar with the application of ethical theories in the context of global problems. Students should be acquainted with the fundamentals of ethics and should have deepened their views on philosophical questions of various disciplines. The Intermediate Studies package should provide students with the skills to recognise their personal fields of interest in philosophy and should have deepened knowledge of their personal fields of interest by reading relevant literature and working in seminar groups. Students should have deepened their view of the classics of philosophy and learned to interpret the more difficult original writings in philosophy. Students furthermore should have developed their skills for creating philosophical dialogue and for presentation of constructive critics in seminars.

Courses

Basic Studies (25 ECTS credits):

- 700600P Introduction to Philosophy (5 ECTS credits)
- 700601P History of Philosophical Thought (5 ECTS credits)
- 700602P Philosophical Ethics (3 ECTS credits)
- 700603P Social and Political Ideas (3 ECTS credits)
- 700604P Logic (3 ECTS credits)
- 700605P Philosophy of Science I (3 ECTS credits)
- 700606P A Classic and Its Interpretation I (3 ECTS credits)

Intermediate Studies (35 ECTS credits)

- 700607A Philosophy of Culture in Finland (4 ECTS credits)
- 700608A Contemporary Philosophy (4 ECTS credits)
- 700609A Introduction to Analytical Philosophy (3 ECTS credits)
- 700610A Phenomenology, Hermeneutics and Dialectics (3 ECTS credits)
- 700611A Philosophy of Values (3 ECTS credits)
- 700612A Practical Ethics (3 ECTS credits)
- 700613A Global Ethics (3 ECTS credits)
- 700614A Philosophy of Science II (3 ECTS credits)
- 700615A Special Fields (3 ECTS credits)
- 700616A Seminar Course on Critical Reading (4 ECTS credits)
- 700617A A Classic and Its Interpretation II (3 ECTS credits)

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot

- 700606P: A Classic and its Interpretation, 3 op
- 700617A: A Classic and its Interpretation II, 3 op
- 700608A: Contemporary Philosophy, 4 op
- 700613A: Global Ethics, 3 op
- 700601P: History of Philosophical Thinking, 5 op
- 700609A: Introduction to Analytical Philosophy, 3 op
- 700600P: Introduction to Philosophy, 5 op
- 700604P: Logic, 3 op
- 700602P: Philosophical Ethics, 3 op

700607A: Philosophy of Culture in Finland, 3 op
 700605P: Philosophy of Science, 3 op
 700614A: Philosophy of Science II, 3 op
 700611A: Philosophy of Values, 3 op
 700610A: Phenomenology, Hermeneutics and Dialectics, 3 op
 700612A: Practical Ethics, 3 op
 700616A: Seminar Course on Critical Reading, 4 op
 700603P: Social and Political Ideas, 3 op
 700615A: Special Fields, 3 op

Opintojaksojen kuvaukset

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

700606P: A Classic and its Interpretation, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Väyrynen, Kari Antero

Opinto-kohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700606P A Classic and its Interpretation (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to read and interpret classical philosophical texts independently and produce a coherent written presentation on a theme within the field of classical philosophy. The student should learn to discuss philosophical questions in a student group.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

To be agreed upon with the course teacher

Assessment methods and criteria:

Seminar (exceptionally book exam or essay)

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700617A: A Classic and its Interpretation II, 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:**

ay700617A A Classic and its Interpretation II (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

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

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students will have an advanced understanding of one of the philosophical classics and they have developed their skills by producing a philosophical thesis and philosophical argument.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the seminar, seminar work

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700608A: Contemporary Philosophy, 4 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish**Leikkaavuudet:**

ay700608A Contemporary Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

4

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students have an understanding of the central trends in 20th century and contemporary philosophy: analytic philosophy, phenomenology, existentialism, hermeneutics, postmodernism and Marxism. Students should also have an informed view of contemporary philosophy.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

Niiniluoto–Saarinen, Nykyajan filosofia (pp. 1–436)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture examination or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700613A: Global Ethics, 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:

ay700613A Global Ethics (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students are able to critically parse global ethical and political questions in the era of globalisation. They will also understand the ethical challenges posed by multiculturalism.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

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:

Lecture or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700601P: History of Philosophical Thinking, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700601P Introduction to Philosophy and its History 5.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

5

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student should have an understanding of the historical development of the central questions and trends of philosophy from ancient history to the 20th century and should be familiar with the central philosophical classics. The student should have some knowledge of the development of Finnish philosophy.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book examination

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Nordin, Filosofian historia ("Filosofia Suomessa" cursorily)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700609A: Introduction to Analytical Philosophy, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700609A Introduction to Analytical Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student will have a deeper view of the developments and key problems of analytical philosophy.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

One of the following selected works:

- a) von Wright, Logiikka, filosofia ja kieli
- b) Wittgenstein, Tractatus logico-philosophicus, or Filosofisia tutkielmia; and Grayling, Wittgenstein
- c) Popper, Arvauksia ja kumoamisia
- d) Raatikainen, Ajattelu, kieli merkitys
- e) Manninen & Vilkkö, Ajattelun välineet ja maailmat

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture examination or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700600P: Introduction to Philosophy, 5 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:

ay700600P Introduction to Philosophy (OPEN UNI) 5.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

5

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students should understand the fundamentality of critical thinking in philosophy and understand the significance of philosophy as part of world view. Students should also be able to analyse philosophical questions and recognises their special character.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book examination.

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Mäki & Väyrynen, Johdatus filosofiseen ajatteluun;

and Sajama, Arkipäivän filosofiaa (pp. 1–93 and 101–104), or Rydenfelt & Kovalainen, Mitä on filosofia?

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700604P: Logic, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700604P Logic (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to analyse and apply formal principles of logical reasoning.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lecture (recommended) or book examination in exceptional cases

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Kakkuri-Knuuttila (ed.), Argumentti ja kritiikki (chapters 3 and 4 in volume II)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam (recommended) or exceptionally book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Markku Mäki

Working life cooperation:

No

700602P: Philosophical 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:

ay700602P Philosophical Ethics (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student should understand the fundamental trends of theoretical ethics and be able to apply them in analysing ethical questions.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book examination.

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Pietarinen & Poutanen, Etiikan teorioita;

and Mäki, Kaksi universalistista moraaliteoriaa: Kant ja utilitarismi

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700607A: Philosophy of Culture in Finland, 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:**

ay700607A Philosophy of Culture in Finland (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

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

4

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student has a conception of the development of Finnish philosophy, especially the philosophy of value, ethics and philosophy of culture in the 20th century. The student is able to analyse philosophy in political contexts of various eras.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

Salmela, Suomalaisen kulttuurifilosofian vuosisata

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700605P: Philosophy of Science, 3 op**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies**Laji:** Course**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail**Opettajat:** Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700605P Philosophy of Science (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student has knowledge of the fundamental questions in the philosophy of science as well as knowledge of the special nature of the questions in the philosophy of social sciences. The student is able to the metaphysical and epistemological limitations of science as well as relation with values.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book examination

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Raatikainen, Ihmistieteet ja filosofia

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700614A: Philosophy of Science II, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Jouni-Matti Kuukkanen

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:

ay700614A Philosophy of Science II (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students will have a versatile conception of the contemporary questions in philosophy of science and science studies in various disciplines as well as a firm understanding of science as an aspect of society. Students have deepened their understanding of the special nature of philosophical questions in natural and human sciences.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

Kiikeri-Ylikoski, Tiede tutkimuskohteena; Meurman-Solin & Pyysiäinen, Ihmistieteet tänään; Massa, Vihreä teoria

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lecture or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700611A: Philosophy of Values, 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:

ay700611A Philosophy of Values (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

2

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

The students will be introduced to philosophical perusal of values in the contexts of nature and culture. Upon the completion of the course, students are able to understand connections between philosophy of values and science, ethics and aesthetics.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

Haapala (ed.), Arvot, tiede, taide; Haapala & Oksanen (ed.), Arvot ja luonnon arvottaminen

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700610A: Phnomenology, Hermeneutics and Dialectics, 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:

ay700610A Phnomenology, Hermeneutics and Dialectics (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student has an advanced view on one of the central traditions in the so-called continental philosophy. The student should be familiar with one of the central figures in continental philosophy.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

One of the following selected works:

- a) Himanka, Se ei sittenkään pyöri
- b) Kusch, Ymmärtämisen haaste
- c) Tontti (ed.), Tulkinnasta toiseen
- d) Habermas, Järki ja kommunikaatio, and White, The Cambridge Companion to Habermas (pp. 1–166)
- e) Lyotard, Tieto postmodernissa yhteiskunnassa
- f) Kotkavirta–Sironen, Moderni/Postmoderni
- g) Haapala, Heidegger: ristiriitojen filosofi
- h) Heinämaa, Ele, tyyli ja sukupuoli
- i) Gadamer, Hermeneutiikka
- j) Foucault, Tiedon arkeologia
- k) Adorno & Horkheimer & Marcuse, Järjen kritiikki
- l) Horkheimer & Adorno, Valistuksen dialektiikka

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700612A: Practical Ethics, 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:

ay700612A Practical Ethics (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students will have knowledge of the fundamentals of philosophical discourse of critical contemporary groups of questions in practical ethics. They are able to understand the connections between ethical questions and economy, science and technology.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

Airaksinen(ed.), Ammattien ja ansaitsemisen etiikka; Karjalainen (ed.), Tutkijan eettiset valinnat; Launis, Geeniteknologia, arvot ja vastuu

Assessment methods and criteria:

Lecture or book exam

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700616A: Seminar Course on Critical Reading, 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:

ay700616A Seminar Course on Critical Reading (OPEN UNI) 4.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

4

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, students have familiarised themselves with the creation of a philosophical thesis and critical discourse through a contemporary theme of study. They have developed their dialogue skills for heuristical group conversation.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Seminar

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Completion of Basic Studies and completion of at least part of the Intermediate Studies recommended

Assessment methods and criteria:

Participation in the seminar

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Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700603P: Social and Political Ideas, 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:

ay700603P Social and Political Ideas (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student is able to understand the classical trends in social philosophy from ancient history to the end of the 20th century. The student should be able to recognise the theoretical backgrounds of various political ideologies.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book examination

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Kanerva (ed.), Poliittisen teorian klassikoita;
and Niiniluoto-Saarinen, Nykyajan filosofia (pp. 437–475)

Assessment methods and criteria:

Formal lecture exam or book exam

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Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No

700615A: Special Fields, 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:

ay700615A Special Fields (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:

3

Language of instruction:

Finnish

Timing:

Free

Learning outcomes:

Upon completion of the course, the student will have an advanced understanding of a chosen, special field in the context of contemporary study.

Mode of delivery:

Contact teaching or self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures or book exam

Target group:

Students minoring in Philosophy

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

Basic Studies in Philosophy

Recommended or required reading:

One of the following special fields. Upon agreement, it is also possible to choose other books than the ones mentioned.

a) *metaphysics*. Juti., Johdatus metafysiikkaan

b) *epistemology*. Lammenranta, Tietoteoria

c) *analytical philosophy of science*. Niiniluoto, Tieteellinen päättely ja selittäminen; or Kuhn, Tieteellisten vallankumousten rakenne

d) *the relation between philosophy and natural sciences*. Heisenberg, Fysiikka ja filosofia; or Sintonen, Biologian filosofian näkökulmia

e) *philosophy of language*. Hintikka, Kieli ja mieli

- f) *special questions in ethics*: Häyry, Mahdollisimman monen onnellisuus; or von Wright, Hyvän muunnelmia; or Taylor, Autenttisuuden etiikka; or MacIntyre, Hyveiden jäljillä
- g) *philosophical aesthetics and philosophy of art*: Vuorinen, Estetiikan klassikoita; or Schusterman, Taide, elämä ja estetiikka
- h) *social philosophy and philosophy of social sciences*: Häyry, Ihannevaltio; or Ilmonen (ed.), Moderniteetti ja moraali; or Winch, Yhteiskuntatieteet ja filosofia
- i) *philosophy of education*: Puolimatka, Kasvatus ja filosofia; or Siljander (ed.), Kasvatus ja sivistys
- j) *didactic method in philosophy*: Kotkavirta, J. (ed.), Filosofia koulunpenkillä, and Laine, T. (ed.), Kasvatus filosofiaan; or Tomperi & Juuso, Sokrates koulussa
- k) *environmental philosophy*: Oksanen (ed.), Ympäristöfilosofia; or Väyrynen, Ympäristöfilosofian historia maaäitimitystä Marxiin
- k) *philosophy of psyche*, for example: Järvillehto, Ihminen ja ihmisen ympäristö; or Rauhala, Humanistinen psykologia
- l) *philosophy of religion*: Helenius et al. (ed.), Uskonnonfilosofia
- m) *special questions in the history of philosophy*: Kaarakainen–Kaukua (ed.), Stoaalaisuus; or Hirvonen–Kotkas (ed.), Immanuel Kant Radikaali paha; or Korkman–Yrjönsuuri (ed.), Filosofian historian kehityslinjoja
- It is also possible to choose other special fields/literature to be agreed upon with the teacher.

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- c) *analytical philosophy of science*: Niiniluoto, Tieteellinen päättely ja selittäminen; or Kuhn, Tieteellisten vallankumousten rakenne
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Assessment methods and criteria:

One of the special fields: formal lecture examination or book exam

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Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Kari Väyrynen

Working life cooperation:

No