Global Learning Semesters

Course Syllabus

Course: PHIL-250 Philosophy of Mind

Department: Liberal Arts

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
PHIL-250	Philosophy of Mind	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Please contact us	42-45	PHIL-101
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Liberal Arts	Lower Division	English

Prerequisites

PHIL-101

Topic Areas

- 1. Dualism
- 2. Logical Behaviourism
- 3. Materialism
- 4. Functionalism
- 5. Double Aspect Theory
- 6. The Phenomenological View
- 7. Recent work in the philosophy of mind

Content Emphasis	Weighting (%)
Dualism:	15%
Logical Behaviourism:	15%
Materialism:	20%
Functionalism:	20%
Double Aspect Theory:	10%
The Phenomenological View:	10%
Recent work in the philosophy of mind:	10%

Specific Topics to Be Covered

- Ancient Dualism (Plato); Cartesian Dualism.
- Logical Behaviourism: Hempel, Ryle, Wittgenstein.
- Materialism: Type-Type vs Type-Token Theory; Davidson, Honderich.
- Functionalism: Turing Machine Experiments, Searle's Chinese Room Experiment, the Debate between H.
 Putnanm and D. Lewis.
- Double Aspect Theory: Russell, Strawson.
- The Phenomenological View: Brentano, Husserl.
- Recent work in the philosophy of mind: The debate over intentionality.

Readings and Resources

Required Textbooks

- W. Lycan (ed.), Mind and Cognition, Blackwell, 1990
- S. Guttenplan, A Companion to the Philosophy of Mind, Blackwell, 1995
- S. Priest, Theories of the Mind, Penguin, 1991
- P. Smith & O.R. Jones, The Philosophy of Mind, Cambridge, 1986
- J. Heil, The Philosophy of Mind, Blackwell, 1998
- T. Crane, The Mechanical Mind, Penguin, 1995
- W. Bechtel, Philosophy of Mind, LEA Publishers, 1988.