



Syllabus

Introduction to Ethics & Political Philosophy - Part A - 15100

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HU Credits: 2

Responsible Department: Philosophy

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

How should I act? What is the good life? The first part of the course will be dedicated to the study of the central theories of normative ethics that sought to address such questions: virtue theory, deontology and consequentialism.

Course/Module aims:

To understand the common basic ambition of the central ethical theories, and the ways in which they attempt to meet it.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

- * To articulate the central characteristics of the main normative ethical theories.*
- * To provide arguments for and against each position.*
- * To apply the different ethical approaches to a variety of moral issues.*
- * To engage with a variety of original philosophical texts.*

Attendance requirements(%):

100%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lecture

Course/Module Content:

Normative Ethics: Virtue ethics, Deontology, Consequentialism.

Required Reading:

Aristotle, Nicomachean Ethics

I. Kant, Groundwork for a Metaphysics of Morals

J.S. Mill, Utilitarianism

J. Bentham, "Of the principle of utility", in Principles of Moral Legislation pp. 14-18.

Additional Reading Material:

TBA

Grading Scheme:

Written / Oral / Practical Exam 100 %

Additional information:

none