



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

What is Belief? - 15329

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Philosophy

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

Belief has a central role in our lives. The way we act or speak depends on what we believe. Belief is also a key concept in epistemology. Knowledge is usually analyzed as a particular kind of belief. But what is belief exactly? What kind of mental state is it? The answer, it turns out, isn't so simple.

Course/Module aims:

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

understand philosophical issues around belief

Attendance requirements(%):

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction:

Course/Module Content:

Topics will include:

- Knowledge and belief*
- Paradoxes of belief*
- Rationality*
- Full and partial belief*
- Belief and guesses*
- Belief and inquiry*

Required Reading:

Articles on course topics

Additional Reading Material:

Grading Scheme:

Essay / Project / Final Assignment / Home Exam / Referat 50 %

Presentation / Poster Presentation / Lecture/ Seminar / Pro-seminar / Research proposal 25 %
Active Participation / Team Assignment 10 %
Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports / Forum / Simulation / others 15 %

Additional information: