



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Quantum Mechanics Foundations and Philosophical Problem - 15431

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HU Credits: 2

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Philosophy

Academic year: 0

Semester: 1st Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

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Course/Module description:

Foundations of non-relativistic quantum mechanics, accessible to philosophy students with no background in physics nor mathematics. focusing on some of its riddles and mysteries, with emphasis on philosophical problems.

Course/Module aims:

to be acquainted with the foundations of quantum mechanics and its philosophical assumptions and implications, as an exercise in metaphysics.

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

to be acquainted with the foundations of quantum mechanics and its philosophical assumptions and implications, as an exercise in metaphysics.

Attendance requirements(%):

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lectures and exercises in class.

Course/Module Content:

quantum phenomena

superpositions

the measurement problem

quantum entanglement

quantum non locality

Examples of "interpretations".

If time permits - quantum computation, quantum cryptography.

Required Reading:

*David Albert: quantum mechanics and experience
and papers that will be given in the moodle*

Additional Reading Material:

will be presented in the moodle page

Grading Scheme:

Essay / Project / Final Assignment / Home Exam / Referat 100 %

Additional information: