

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

Self and subjectivity 310 (FIL 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty [Faculty of Humanities](#)

Module credits 30.00

Programmes [BA](#)

[BA Law](#)

[BA Visual Studies](#)

[BPolSci International Studies](#)

[BPolSci Political Studies](#)

[BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies](#)

[BSocSci Philosophy, Politics and Economics](#)

Service modules Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Prerequisites At least three of FIL 110, 120, 210, 220

Contact time 1 discussion class per week, 2 lectures per week

Language of tuition Separate classes for Afrikaans and English

Department Philosophy

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

In this module the focus is on understanding humankind and its relation to reality and knowledge. The focus of the module as a whole is philosophical anthropology or contemporary metaphysics, and it traces the development of the conceptions of 'self' and 'subjectivity' in any given philosophical tradition in Africa, the West or more generally the Global South by focussing on questions such as the relation between consciousness, self-consciousness and the human unconscious; the meaning of life; the nature of personal identity and the issue of free will.

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