



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

Philosophy 120 (FIL 120)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Module credits	12.00
Programmes	BIT Information Technology BSc Information Technology Information and Knowledge Systems BSc(Computer Science) Computer Science BA (Fine Arts) Fine Arts BA Extended Programme BA Humanities BA Languages Languages BA Law BA Visual Studies BPolSci International Studies BPolSci Political Studies BSocSci Industrial Sociology and Labour Studies BSocSci Option: Philosophy, Politics and Economics BDiv Theology BTh Theology
Service modules	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology Faculty of Law
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week, 3 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Both Afr and Eng
Academic organisation	Philosophy
Period of presentation	Semester 2



Module content

Introduction to Philosophy

The two semester modules at first-year level introduce students to the four main subfields of Philosophy, namely epistemology and metaphysics, ethics and political philosophy. This module introduces students to two of these subfields. Students must contact the Department of Philosophy to ascertain which two subfields are covered in each semester as the choice may change from time to time due to availability of teaching staff. Students will become acquainted with the nature of philosophical reflection by exploring a number of classical philosophical themes in each subfield. Throughout the module there is an emphasis on developing those critical thinking, reading and writing skills that are required in Philosophy, while students become acquainted with the power of critique as critical judgment and discernment.

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