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Teacher(s) :	
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes :	<p>The course introduces topics central to philosophical anthropology by linking these to the history of philosophy, to scientific and technological development, and to the cultural history of ways of thinking and feeling. The historical dimension plays just as important a role as the systematic dimension insofar as the course seeks to lead the student to a critical reflection about the "contemporary status" of the human being. After a comparative analysis of Socratic and Augustinian anthropology, we shall analyze in detail the critiques of these put forward by the masters of suspicion of the first generation (Marx, Freud, Nietzsche), and of the second generation (structuralism, Foucault).</p>
Aims :	<p>By the end of the course, the student should be able:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to assimilate and deepen his or her understanding of certain key topics of philosophical anthropology; the lectures will stem from philosophical texts; to relate these themes to certain scientific models (particularly, models from neuroscience and psychopathology); to situate these themes in the context of more general cultural movements (particularly, the current social and political situation); <p>furthermore, the course seeks to develop the student's ability for analyzing, synthesizing, and communicating the subject matter dealt with. The student will have the opportunity to practice these by undertaking a private study of a topic in anthropology of his or her choice.</p> <p><i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i></p>
Evaluation methods :	<p>The final mark is awarded on the basis of the results from volume 1 (course) and volume 2 (exercises) in the following way :</p> <p>Where one or both parts have been failed, the global mark is the weaker of the two.</p> <p>Where both parts have been passed, the global mark is calculated according to an 80 (vol.1) / 20 (vol.2) weighting.</p>
Content :	<p>This introductory course covers some major themes in philosophical anthropology on the basis of noteworthy texts from the history of philosophy : the body and the flesh, time and space, the human condition, joy and suffering, liberty and artificiality, death, dignity and vulnerability.</p>
Faculty or entity in charge:	EFIL