lfilo2291 Philosophy of History B UCLouvain 2018 Q2 30.0 h

5 credits

This biannual learning is being organized in 2018-2019

Teacher(s)	Bruschi Fabio (compensates Maesschalck Marc) ;Maesschalck Marc ;					
Language :	French					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	The course will attempt to lay out the origin of the concept of a " philosophy of history " by distinguishing it from epistemological questions about the foundations of historical science.					
	The course will present a historical overview of the evolution of the concept of a philosophy of history.					
	Next, the course will present some observations on differing interpretations of the concept in order to point out the conflicts that set these interpretations against each other.					
	On this basis, a more specific debate shall be studied in order to provide an example of the general presentation.					
Aims	Upon successful completion of the course, the student should :					
	- Be able to identify the major schools of thought in the philosophy of history;					
	¹ - Know the fundamental concepts associated with those schools of thought ;					
	- Be able to explain briefly the conflicts of interpretation that have resulted within contemporary thought.					
	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".					
Evaluation methods	Students will be asked to write a 10 page on the basis of an author or a subject studied in the course. After emailing the paper, the student will receive a question on the paper to be prepared for the oral exam.					
	The student will have approximately 15 min. to present this answer during the oral exam.					
	The paper may be written in French, English, or Italian, with the professor's agreement.					
	Students are invited to discuss with the professor the subject on which they would like to write their paper.					
Teaching methods	/					
Content	History between economy and society. Three readings of Marx					
Content	This course will study three major currents that, since the 1960s, tried to interpret from a philosophical standpoint Marx's critique of political economy: Operaism, Althusserism and the Neue Marx-Lektüre. We will concentrate both on the founding texts and on more recent contributions, in order to identify the discontinuities that caracterize them as attempts to tackle from within theory the transformations of the conjuncture. These perspectives will allow us to elucidate various central ideas in Marx's work, such as dialectics as an epistemological and political operation, value as a form of socialisation of individual activities, class struggle as the motor of history, modes of productions as principles of the determination of the economy. Each conception will lead us to formulate a different conception of what is historical in history, according to the relation between economics and society that it allows setting forth.					
Inline resources	Reading material will be published on Moodle.					
Bibliography	 L. Althusser, Pour Marx (1965), Paris, La Découverte, 2005. L. Althusser, E. Balibar, R. Establet, P. Macherey, J. Rancière, Lire Le Capital(1965), Paris, P.U.F., 1996. HG. Backhaus, « Dialectique de la forme valeur » (1969), tr. S. Niemetz, Critiques de l'économie politique, n° 18 octdéc. 1974. 					
	- E. Balibar, La crainte des masses. Politique et philosophie avant et après Marx, Paris, Galilée, 1997.					
	 M. Heinrich, An Introduction to the Three Volumes of Karl Marx's Capital, tr. angl. Al. Locascio, New York, Monthl Review Press, 2004. 					
	- K. Marx, Le Capital,Livre I (1867), tr. JP. Lefebvre, Paris, P.U.F., 1993.					
	- Antonio Negri, Marx au-delà de Marx, Paris, C. Bourgeois, 1979.					
	- M. Postone, Temps, travail et domination sociale (1993), tr. O. Galtier et L. Mercier, Paris, Mille et une nuits, 2009					
	- M. Tronti, Ouvriers et Capital (1966), tr. Y. Moulier-Boutang, Paris, Entremonde, 2016.					
Other infos						

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Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims		
Master [60] in Philosophy	FILO2M1	5		٩		
Master [120] in Philosophy	FILO2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in French and Romance Languages and Literatures : French as a Foreign Language	FLE2M	5		٩		
	FILA9CE	5		٩		
Master [120] in Ethics	ETHI2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in Sciences of Religions	SREL2M	5		٩		