




In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

5 credits	30.0 h	Q2
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This biannual learning is being organized in 2019-2020

Teacher(s)	Gambarotto Andrea (compensates Guay Alexandre) ;Guay Alexandre ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	Each year the course will select a particular theme - order and finality in Nature, determinism, ontological status of space and time, emergence, etc. The course will present and contrast different philosophical approaches to the selected theme. The course will attempt to include in the study of the theme a reflection on the goals and methods of the philosophy of Nature.
Aims	<p>Upon completion of the course the student shall be able to analyze and discuss in a well-informed and original manner a question selected within the area of philosophy of Nature, relating this to developments in natural science. The student should at the end of the course be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use research tools appropriate for philosophy of Nature; • Conceptualize the selected question ; • Situate his or her answers to the question within the framework of the history of the philosophy of Nature, and in relation to contemporary debates between various theories and approaches; • To include contributions from other disciplines as appropriate to the philosophical discussion of the question ; • To develop his or her own original argumentation in relation to the question. • To submit the method chosen for the study of the selected question to a critical reflection. <p>-----</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>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</p> <p>The evaluation consists of two elements: an oral presentation about a research article and a personal research essay.</p> <p>During the second session, the research essay represents 100% of the final grade.</p>
Content	The 2019-20 class theme will be the contemporary philosophy of of natural necessity. We will discuss questions such as: what is a natural law? What is a natural possibility? Is there meta-laws? What is determinism?
Inline resources	See course Moodle website.
Bibliography	Une bibliographie et des textes seront fournis aux étudiants via le site web du cours.
Faculty or entity in charge	EFIL

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Master [120] in Ethics	ETHI2M	5		
Master [60] in Philosophy	FILO2M1	5		
Certificat universitaire en philosophie (approfondissement)	FILA9CE	5		
Master [120] in Philosophy	FILO2M	5		