

## Higher Institute of Philosophy


**FILO1315 Philosophical texts I: Ancient philosophical texts**

[30h] 4 credits

**Teacher(s):** Jean-Michel Counet, Pierre Destrée  
**Language:** French  
**Level:** First cycle

**Aims**

The ability to analyze an Ancient philosophical text.

**Main themes**

The aim of the course is to teach the students how to arrive at an in depth "reading" and analysis of Ancient philosophical texts.

**Content and teaching methods**

The textual analysis is done by the lecturers themselves in a series of lectures. The aim of the lectures is to put the student in direct contact with Ancient philosophical texts so as to give the student a glimmering, through a representative selection, of the problems Ancient thinkers wrestled with and their way of philosophizing. The texts, obviously written in Greek or Latin, will be read and commented upon in French, so that knowledge of Ancient languages is not necessary. The texts chosen could be either a selection from a work by one author (selections from Aristotle's *De Anima*, for instance); or a selection from the entire corpus of an author (for instance the Aristotelian corpus) that treats of a specific problem; or a selection from various authors treating the same problem (for instance, the notion of "philosophy" in Antiquity). The students should look for a copy of the work being analyzed in a French translation; if the course is based on a selection of various authors, the professor will make a photocopied package available for purchase.

**Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)**

Pre-requisites: Basic familiarity with the history of Greek philosophy  
 Assessment: an oral exam based on an essay prepared by the student.  
 Supporting material: texts or class notes.

**Programmes in which this activity is taught**

<b>ELAT9CE</b>	Certificat universitaire en langue, littérature et civilisation latines
<b>ISLE3DA/IS</b>	Diplôme d'études approfondies en philosophie et lettres (philosophie)
<b>ISP20</b>	Licence à durée réduite en philosophie
<b>ISPB9CE</b>	Certificat universitaire en philosophie (approfondissement)

**Other credits in programs**

<b>CLAS21</b>	Première licence en langues et littératures classiques	(3 credits)	
<b>CLAS22</b>	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures classiques	(3 credits)	
<b>ISLE3DA/IS</b>	Diplôme d'études approfondies en philosophie et lettres (philosophie)	(4 credits)	
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<b>ISPB9CE</b>	Certificat universitaire en philosophie (approfondissement)	(4 credits)	
<b>LAFR13BA</b>	Troisième année de bachelier en langues et littératures modernes et anciennes	(4 credits)	Mandatory
<b>ROM21</b>	Première licence en langues et littératures romanes	(4 credits)	
<b>ROM22</b>	Deuxième licence en langues et littératures romanes	(4 credits)	