PHIL20041 Phenomenology and Existentialism

Credit Points:	12.5			
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)			
Dates & Locations:	2015, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 2, Parkville - Taught on campus.			
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 2x 1-hour lectures each week and 1x 1-hour tutorial (weeks 2-12) Total Time Commitment: 170 hours			
Prerequisites:	None			
Corequisites:	None			
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Any one of the following is recommended but not required:			
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	
	PHIL10002 Philosophy: The Big Questions	Semester 1	12.50	
	PHIL10003 Philosophy: The Great Thinkers	Semester 2	12.50	
Non Allowed Subjects:	None			
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/			
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Subject Overview:	This subject is a study of classic texts and major themes in phenomenology and existentialism, a tradition that shaped continental European philosophy throughout much of the 20th century. This subject focuses on central figures in that tradition, such as Sartre, Heidegger, Merleau-Ponty and Husserl. Themes to be discussed include the aims and methods of phenomenology, consciousness and perception, being-in-the world, our relation to others, authenticity, freedom and embodiment. On completion of the subject students should be able to engage in detailed exegesis of philosophical texts and to examine critically the philosophical arguments and views they contain.			
Learning Outcomes:	Students who successfully complete this subject will: # acquire a broad understanding of central themes, concepts and authors in the 20th century philosophical tradition of phenomenology and existentialism, as well as a deeper critical understanding of some issues through independent study and assessments; # develop the ability to understand critical commentary on the tradition of phenomenology and existentialism and its relevance for contemporary debates within and beyond philosophy; # appreciate the difficulties of engaging with historically important philosophical works and acquire skills in the careful interpretation and balanced critical evaluation of such works; # work individually and in groups to interpret philosophical texts, explain clearly and critically evaluate the ideas contained in them.			

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Assessment:	A 2000 word eassay, 50% (due mid-semester), a take-home examination 50% (during the end of semester examination period). This subject has a minimum hurdle requirement of 75% tutorial attendance. Regular participation in tutorials is required. Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per day. After 5 working days late assessment will not be marked. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject.	
Prescribed Texts:	Set readings for this subject will be available online	
Breadth Options:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses: # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-BMED) # Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-COM) # Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-ENVS) # Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-MUS) # Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-SCI) # Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2015/B-ENG) You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.	
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees	
Links to further information:	http://www.philosophy.unimelb.edu.au/	
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Philosophy Philosophy Philosophy Philosophy Major Social Theory Social Theory	

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