

## 161-030 The Rise of Modern Philosophy

<b>Credit Points:</b>	12.500
<b>Level:</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2008, This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, - Taught on campus. *
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: Thirty two contact hours per semester: two 1-hour lectures per week for the first 11 weeks and a 1-hour tutorial per week beginning the third week of semester Total Time Commitment: *
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	At least one single-semester first-year philosophy subject, or permission from the Head of School or the subject coordinator.
<b>Corequisites:</b>	*
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	*
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	*
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	*
<b>Coordinator:</b>	Dr Allen Hazen
<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject is a study of metaphysical and epistemological topics arising in and from the work of 17th and 18th century philosophers from the rationalist and empiricist traditions. In each case, the focus will be on primary texts by the author concerned, though some use will be made of the secondary literature, and recent philosophical research on relevant issues. Metaphysical issues discussed may include substance and causation. Epistemological issues discussed may include the roles of experience and reason in the foundations of knowledge. Students should complete the subject able to display acquaintance with the work of selected 17th and 18th century philosophers; able to show an understanding of selected issues raised by those philosophers; and able to indicate awareness of how those issues are related to 20th century work.
<b>Assessment:</b>	Two written assignments of 2000 words each, one due mid-semester 47%, the second due at the end of semester 50%, and tutorial participation 3%.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	Prescribed Texts:A subject reader will be available from the Bookroom at the beginning of semester
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is a level 2 or level 3 subject and is not available to new generation degree students as a breadth option in 2008. This subject or an equivalent will be available as breadth in the future. Breadth subjects are currently being developed and these existing subject details can be used as guide to the type of options that might be available. 2009 subjects to be offered as breadth will be finalised before re-enrolment for 2009 starts in early October.
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>
<b>Generic Skills:</b>	# be able to manifest philosophical skill in arguing in an alert and well-informed way; # develop the ability to understand the abstract structure in concrete concerns; # have developed skills in critical thinking and analysis.
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	Bachelor of Arts Diploma in Arts (Philosophy)

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