



## Philosophy of Mind (7,5 ECTS credits)

Level: 1st cycle

Discipline: THEOLOGY or PHILOSOPHY

Course ID: 0312

### Admission requirements

General admission requirements for university studies. Students taking part in the course as a part of their Bachelor's degree program must have completed Course A, Introduction in Philosophy and Theology (30 ECTS credits). Students taking part in the course as a freestanding course are expected to have corresponding prior knowledge.

### Educational goals

After completing the course, students are expected to be able to:

- provide an overview of some of the fundamental issues in the philosophy of mind, as well as the main tenets of some influential philosophers;
- show sufficient understanding of, and ability to use in discussion, central concepts in the philosophy of mind;
- make evident the ability to critically reflect on and analyze some important questions and arguments in the philosophy of mind.

### Course content

Ever since the emergence of modern science, philosophers have struggled to provide a metaphysical framework which can do justice not only to the presuppositions and methods and results of science, but also to experiences and beliefs relating to the inner life of the perceiving and acting subject – of the living and thinking human being herself. As a central branch of metaphysics, the philosophy of mind inquires into the reality of mental phenomena, and the nature of consciousness. The course provides a background to the current discussions about minds, and examines some important recent trends.

### Teaching and examination

Instruction will be in the form of lectures and discussion seminars (in person and/or online).

Examination consists of one short assignment and a written essay, the latter of which will be the chief basis for the course grade (75%).

**Bibliography**

Kim, Jaegwon, *Philosophy of Mind*, 3rd edition, Boulder Colorado: Westview Press, 2011.

A selection of articles and excerpts from books, which will be provided through the online teaching platform during the course.

See also "Kursplaner: allmänna bestämmelser" (Course plans: General rules)

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