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Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Aims	<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>
Evaluation methods	<p>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</p> <p><u>General part</u> The evaluation will take the form of a written exam (80%) and homeworks (2-%).</p> <p><u>Animal part</u> The evaluation will take the form of a written exam.</p>
Teaching methods	<p>Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change.</p> <p>This course will be mostly based on traditional lessons. The main method will be the systematic comparison between approaches and positions. Because of the diversity of authors and approaches studied, the students will prepare lessons by carefully reading the suggested materials. Participation during discussions in class will also be essential. The lessons will be provided in a comodal way.</p>
Content	<p><u>General part</u> The course will review the main topics of scientific metaphysics, epistemology and ethics from the beginning of the 20th century to today. Some of the topics that will be addressed are: scientific phenomena, observations, scientific experimentation, theoretical representation, explanation, causality, science as a social phenomenon, objectivity and realism, and, finally, the relation between science and society.</p> <p><u>Philosophy of animal part</u> In this section we will explore the following questions: Is there a human nature? Are non human animals conscious? What is the extension of animal cognition? What are our obligations towards non human animals?</p>
Inline resources	See Moodle website.
Bibliography	References available on the Moodle website
Faculty or entity in charge	SC

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Bachelor in Veterinary Medicine	VETE1BA	4		
Master [120] in Environmental Science and Management	ENVI2M	2		