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History of arabic Philosophy

Teacher(s)	Bonmariage Cécile ;			
Language :	French			
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve			
Main themes	This course is designed to provide students with a historical view of the main trends in philosophy (falsafa) as it developed in the Arabo-Islamic cultural world. It will define what falsafa is, what its origins are and what position it occupies in Arabo-Islamic culture. It provides an introduction to the most significant thinkers, as well as to the issues which have been the subject of debates by the falâsifa.			
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: By the end of the course, students should:			
	 • understand the nature and place of philosophy (falsafa) in the Arabo-Islamic cultural world; • know how to situate in history the thinkers and trends in Arabo-Islamic philosophy; • know how to situate philosophy in relationship to other forms of thinking operating in this cultural world; • know how to define the main issues within the framework of Arabo-Islamic philosophy and highlight what they involve; • know how to use the tools which enable both general and more advanced study of the philosophical aspects of Arabo-Islamic thinking. 			
Evaluation methods	Oral exam on the subjects treated in the lectures and on the readings			
Teaching methods	Activities outside the class: readings; personal research to acquire and/or increase the student's familiarity with the tools and resources used in the study of Arabic philosophical texts. Activities in class: ex cathedra course; discussion on readings			
Content	The aim of this course is to introduce to the major figures, issues and texts of philosophy in pre-modern Islam. After a reminder of the historical conditions of the emergence of falsafa in Islam, the course introduces to questions regarding metaphysics, anthropology, epistemology, the philosopher in/and the city, the philosopher and the prophet.			
Inline resources	See Moodle			
Bibliography	The Cambridge Companion to Arabic Philosophy. Ed. P. Adamson & R. Taylor. Cambridge, CUP, 2005. The Routledge companion to Islamic philosophy. Ed. R. C. Taylor & L. X. López-Farjeat. New York, Routledge, 2019. The Oxford Handbook of Islamic Philosophy. Ed. Kh. El-Rouayheb & S. Schmidtke. Oxford, OUP, 2016.			
Faculty or entity in charge	EFIL			

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Bachelor in Philosophy, Politics and Economics	PPE1BA	5		Q		
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	HORI1BA	5		ø.		
Minor in Arabic language and Islamic civilization	MINISLAM	5		ø		
Master [120] in Sciences of Religions	SREL2M	4		0		
Minor in Medieval Studies	MINMEDI	5		0		
Bachelor in Philosophy	FILO1BA	5		٩		
Certificat universitaire en sciences des religions	SREL9CE	3		ø.		
Certificat universitaire en philosophie (approfondissement)	FILA9CE	5		•		