



10.00 credits

22.5 h

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Teacher(s)	Dishaw Samuel ;
Language :	French > English-friendly
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Learning outcomes	
Evaluation methods	<p>Continuous evaluation and final research paper to be submitted during the exam session. No oral exam. Participation in the seminar will be validated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• based on your attendance at the sessions. This is non-negotiable. There is no need to want to write a work without really having participated in the sessions. A seminar is by definition a place of collective research and debate and differs from a lecture or a series of conferences. This is part of learning.</li> <li>• your ability to discuss the contributions of other students.</li> <li>• the oral presentation of a problem chosen by yourself as part of the general theme. In concrete terms, this means that you must identify a search object yourself and legitimize this choice.</li> <li>• the writing of a text (max. 40,000 characters including spaces) that considers critical comments on the oral presentation.</li> </ul>
Teaching methods	<p>Students should master basic notions in practical philosophy. The purpose of this seminar will be to go deeper into some specific concepts.</p> <p>Teaching in French. A passive knowledge of English is required since several compulsory readings will be in English.</p>
Content	<p><b>Pourquoi bien agir? / Why be moral?</b></p> <p>Honoring our moral obligations can require us to make important sacrifices. These demands invite a question: why be moral at all? Why should we do what morality demands of us?</p> <p>In this seminar, we read a number of papers which attempt to answer these questions, as well as essays on closely related questions (such as: how do we <i>know</i> what morality demands of us in the first place?)</p> <p>We will focus on a series of essays influential in British and American moral philosophy during the last half-century. Philosophers whose works we will discuss include Thomas Nagel, Philippa Foot, Bernard Williams, Christine Korsgaard, and T.M. Scanlon.</p>
Bibliography	Les lectures seront fournies aux étudiants via Moodle.
Other infos	Attendance is compulsory, given that this seminar will rely on the active participation of students.
Faculty or entity in charge	EFIL

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Master [120] in Ethics	ETHI2M	10		
Master [120] in Philosophy	FILO2M	10		
Certificat universitaire en philosophie (approfondissement)	FILA9CE	10		