



C-ID Descriptor

History of Modern Philosophy

Descriptor Details

- **Descriptor Title:** History of Modern Philosophy
- **C-ID Number:** 140
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General Description

This course addresses 16th through 18th century philosophy with emphasis on broad epistemological and/or metaphysical developments of empiricism and rationalism in philosophical thought from Descartes to Kant and may include approximate precursors and successors.

Prerequisites

No information provided

Corequisites

No information provided

Advisories

Eligibility for College Composition (C-ID ENGL 100)

Content

Sixteenth through Eighteenth century philosophy with emphasis on broad epistemological and/or metaphysical developments in Primary Texts from Descartes to Kant and may include approximate precursors and successors.

Reading Philosophical Texts Critically

Lab Activities

No information provided

Objectives

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Demonstrate mastery of critical philosophical skills to present accurately and to interpret the positions of 16th to 18th century philosophers, based on readings of their primary texts.
2. Critically analyze and evaluate arguments, assumptions, principles, and methods of 16th through 18th century philosophers.

Evaluation Methods

Written work such as formal essays, research papers, term papers, exams, and quizzes

Textbooks

Reading materials must include strong representation of primary texts. Primary texts should be drawn from such readings as:

Descartes, *Discourse on Method*

Descartes, *Meditations on First Philosophy*

Leibniz, *Discourse on Metaphysics*

Leibniz, *Monadology*

Berkeley, *Principles of Human Knowledge*

Berkeley, *Three Dialogues*

Hume, *An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding*

Locke, *An Essay Concerning Human Understanding*

Locke, *Two Treatises of Government*

Spinoza, *Ethics*

Hobbes, *Leviathan*

Rousseau, *Discourse on the Origin of Inequality*

Rousseau, *The Social Contract*

Kant, *Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics*

Kant, *Groundwork for the Metaphysics of Morals*