GHENT UNIVERSITY

Course Specifications

Valid as from the academic year 2026-2027

Philosophy (D013900)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 3.0 **Study time 90 h**

Course offerings in academic year 2027-2028

A (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent

Lecturers in academic year 2027-2028

Weber, Erik	LW01	lecturer-in-charge
Claes, Tom	LW01	co-lecturer
Lefevere, Merel	LW01	staff member
Vercoutere, Sofie	LW01	staff member

Offered in the following programmes in 2027-2028	**crdts**	**offering**
Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and Movement Sciences	3	A
Linking Course Master of Science in Health Promotion	3	A

Teaching languages

Dutch

Keywords

Philosophy, Critical thinking, Ethics, Knowledge, Science, Philosophy of Sport, Sport Ethics, Bioethics, Moral development, Research Ethics

Position of the course

One aim of the DBBESP is to produce people that have knowledge and skills to give a scientifically based training to people who do sports (professional or/ and non-professional). A second aim is to produce people who can do scientific research in this area.
This course deals with philosophical topics that are, given these aims, relevant for the students.This subject contributes to the fields of competences of the course Bachelor of Physical Education and Movement Sciences: B1.7, B1.11, B2.1, B2.7, B5.8, B5.9 en B5.10

The Master of Science of Health Promotion study programme aspires to train professionals who are duly capable of developing, implementing and evaluating health education and health promotion programmes in a variety of different settings. This philosophy course functions as a grounding course that will sharpen the students' critical, analytical and synthetical abilities and attitudes and thus lies the basis for an engaged and critical career in health-oriented services.

Contents

In this course students are introduced with central philosophical and ethical issues and viewpoint on man, knowledge and world. The course also provides a introductory overview int philosophy and ethics of sport.

The first part of the course (taught for both sudy programmes) provides an overview of the major philosophical problems, of the most prominent schools of thought attempting to solve these problems, and of the salient concepts that have become characteristic to philosophical thought.

In the second part of the course the main ethical viewpoints and strategies for deliberation will be introduced to the students of the Bachelor of Physical Education and Movement Sciences. These will be applied to issues in the philosophy and

ethics of sport.
For the students preparing for the Master of Science of Health Promotion, the toics in the second part are emergence of bioethics, moral development, care ethics and research ethics.

Initial competences

None

Final competences

1 To understand the specific nature of philosophical problems.

2 To grasp the current philosophical thinking, with the historical background in mind.

3 To define the most significant terms of philosophy.

4 To recognise the principal schools of thought and their proponents.

5 To be able to describe philosophical as well as other methods of acquiring rational knowledge.
6 Having insight in some of the main issues and perspectives in the philosophy and ethics of sport (only for Bachelor of Physical Education and Movement Sciences).
7 For the students of the linkin course:
- To have an understanding of the history of and contemporary issues in bioethics.
- Understand and be able to outline recent theories in moral development.
- To have a good working knowledge of research ethics.--- Klik om te editeren ---

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Lecture

Extra information on the teaching methods

Lecture recordings are made available after each lecture and remain online until after the second examination period. In exceptional situations, a recording may not be available due to technical problems.

Study material

Type: Syllabus

Name: philosophy
Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty
Optional: no
Language : Dutch
Oldest Usable Edition : 2022-2023
Available on Ufora : Yes
Online Available : No
Available in the Library : No
Available through Student Association : No
Additional information: All texts required for preparing the exam will be available on Ufora.

Type: Slides

Name: Philosophy and sport
Indicative price: Free or paid by faculty
Optional: yes
Language : Dutch

Oldest Usable Edition : /
Available on Ufora : Yes
Online Available : No
Available in the Library : No
Available through Student Association : No

References

Course content-related study coaching

By teacher (office hours & appointment)

Assessment moments

end-of-term assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

not applicable

Extra information on the examination methods

The exam consists of multiple choice questions and open questions.

Calculation of the examination mark

100% periodical

Addendum

This course is open for incoming mobility students (Erasmus)