



## 賽馬會「知情達意育優才」計劃

## Jockey Club "Gifted in Bloom-Harmony in Heart &amp; Mind" Programme

# Western Philosophy Course (Level 3): Philosophy of Love (JC3C-S101)

## Introduction

"Love" is of the utmost important to most of us nowadays. Philosopher Simon May thinks that "love" is the new God which is the West's undeclared idol and religion. To understand "love" is to understand our time and ourselves.

In this course, we will study the history of the concept of "love" in order to understand the transformation of "love". Also, we will examine the value of "love" and how it is related to the meaning of life.

Programme Type  
/Level

Introductory Course in Humanities  
([Token-required](#))

## Instructor(s)

Mr KWAN Ho Chuen, Host of RTHK TV Program "Philosophy Talk Show"

Target  
Participants

- HKAGE secondary school student members **ONLY**
- Class size: 30
- \* **First-come-first-served**

Medium of  
Instruction

Cantonese

## Certificate



- A certificate will be awarded to participants who have attended **at least 5 sessions**.
- "Course incomplete" will be marked for those who are absent for more than 2 sessions.

Intended  
Learning  
Outcomes

Upon completion of the programme, participants should be able to:


1. Explain daily experience and value of "love";
2. Analyze systematically to the theories of "love";
3. Improve their philosophical thinking and discussion skills

Application  
Deadline

**24 February 2020** (Accepted applicants will be informed by the HKAGE via email. Please complete the confirmation slip and return it to the HKAGE by fax / email ([jc@hkage.org.hk](mailto:jc@hkage.org.hk)) / post **on or before 27 February 2020**. Late reply will be considered as withdrawal.)



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Schedule 	Session	Date	Time	Content	Venue
	1	18 Apr 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Articulate the significance of “love” in the modern society</li> <li>Explain how “love” is regarded as the meaning of life</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 403 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>
	2	25 Apr 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>The Biology of Love and Sex</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain “love” and “sex” biologically</li> <li>Question whether biology is sufficient to explain “love” and “sex”</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 403 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>
	3	2 May 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>Greek Love: Eros</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe the Greek view on “love”</li> <li>Examine Plato’s concept of “love”</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 403 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>
	4	9 May 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>Christian Love: Agape</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the concept of agape</li> <li>The importance of Christian “love”</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 403 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>
	5	16 May 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>Courtly Love and Romantic Love</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clarify how we should understand romantic “love”</li> <li>Evaluate the meaning of romantic “love”</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 303 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>
	6	23 May 2020 (Sat)	2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<p><b>Modernity and Love</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explain the relation between transformation of modern society and “love”</li> <li>Clarify the role of “love” in the modern society</li> </ul>	HKAGE Room 303 <b>Will be delivered by online platform</b>