



LITTLE STORIES IN PHILOSOPHY – ANOTHER DOOR OPENED TO PHILOSOPHY (E2PHI002C)

Introduction	<p>Philosophy is the study of life reflection, closely related to our lives. Philosophical discussions help us understand the world and the self so that we can adopt a more reasonable attitude to master our lives.</p> <p>To be rigorous and accurate, most philosophical theories involve complex and difficult arguments to understand. To such a degree, ordinary people find it discouraging to explore philosophy. In fact, good philosophers can often explain intractable philosophical problems with interesting, and easy-to-understand stories and thought experiments.</p> <p>This course aims to arouse students' interest in understanding and thinking about philosophical issues by discussing intriguing stories and thought experiments put forward by prominent contemporary philosophers. In the end, they can reflect on what they have learned and established their own views on life.</p>
Programme Type / Level	Special Topics in Philosophy Course (Level II) (Token-required)
Instructor(s)	Dr LEE King Hang, Roger (PhD in Philosophy, the Chinese University of Hong Kong)
Pre-requisite	No special prerequisites are needed
Target Participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ S1 to S3 HKAGE student members in 2021/22 school year only➤ Class size: 38* <i>First-come-first-served.</i>
Medium of Instruction	Cantonese with Chinese handouts
Certificate	<p>E-Certificate will be awarded to participants who have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Attended AT LEAST 5 sessions; AND❖ Completed all the assignments with satisfactory performance
Intended Learning Outcomes	<p>Upon completion of the programme, participants should be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. perceive philosophical theories and thoughts and their application in daily life through in-depth discussion, interesting stories and thought experiments;2. stimulate students' interest to explore different philosophical problems in life such as morality, social justice, freedom and self-identity;3. understand the underlying meanings of little stories created by profound philosophers such as Descartes, Nozick, Rachels, Nagel and Sartre;4. develop philosophical thinking and writing to enhance students' academic writing ability;5. reflect and establish students' view of life.
Application Deadline	18 October 2021, 12:00 n.n
If student members withdraw from the programme after the Application Deadline, the token will be deducted.	

Schedule

Session	Date	Time	Content	Venue
1	6 Nov	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Descartes: Super Big Devil and Fraud – <i>Is there any absolute real?</i>	Classroom 30, Buddhist Kok Kwong Secondary School ^{1,2}
2	13 Nov	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Robert Nozick: Happy Machine – <i>Is happiness the most important?</i>	
3	20 Nov	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	James Rachels: Murder and Failing to Save – <i>Is there any difference between active and passive euthanasia?</i>	
4	27 Nov	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Thomas Nagel: The World of Bats – <i>Is the mind just a physical phenomenon?</i>	Classroom 30, Buddhist Kok Kwong Secondary School Room G01, HKAGE
5	4 Dec	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Jean Paul Sartre: Young people in World War II – <i>What is a human?</i>	Classroom 30, Buddhist Kok Kwong Secondary School ^{1,2}
6	11 Dec	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Conclusion	

¹ Sha Kok Estate, Shatin ([Map](#))

² There is a construction work in covered playground during this period. One of the stairs would be closed temporarily. Students should use another stair to go to the classroom. Also, students and their accompanied parent or guardian should take extra caution while entering and leaving the campus.

Enquiries

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