

### Course Guide 33414 Trends of contemporary thinking

# COURSE DATA

Data Subject					
Code	33414				
Name	Trends of contemporary thinking				
Cycle	Grade				
ECTS Credits	6.0				
Academic year	2020 - 2021				
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Study (s)					
Degree		Center		Acad. Period year	
1301 - Degree in Audiovisual Communication			Faculty of Philology, Translation and Communication		
Subject-matter					
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1301 - Degree in Audiovisual Communication		9 - Discourse, i	9 - Discourse, ideology and thought		
Coordination					
Name		Depart	Department		
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# SUMMARY

Contemporary philosophy arises from the crisis that the principle of modern philosophy -the subject or finite reason understood as ground (*sub-jectum*)- undergoes in the threshold of the nineteenth century. It is precisely its finite character that questions -explicitly from Kant but implicitly from its birth- that it can legitimately occupy the place of the ground. And nineteenth-century thought, stressing this finitude, insisting on the way in which reason is essentially constituted by the finitude of language and time (or even on the way in which it is preceded by language and/or time and/or life etc.), has forced the philosophical discourse to confront in the early twentieth century its lack of soil. In this course we will try to offer an overview of the different ways in which contemporary philosophy has reacted to this situation: from the refoundation of reason as ground, to the rejection of all foundations, through the redetermination of the notion of reason or *lógos*. Therefore, in addition to the question of the subject, it will be essential, in relation to the different authors and contemporary traditions, to understand their position regarding the question of language and time.



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# PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE

### Relationship to other subjects of the same degree

There are no specified enrollment restrictions with other subjects of the curriculum.

### **Other requirements**

There are no prerequisites

# OUTCOMES

#### 1301 - Degree in Audiovisual Communication

- Familiarity of the state of the world, as well as its recent historical evolution, paying special attention to the major trends of contemporary thinking and their implication in the different political, financial and cultural parameters.
- Knowledge of the ideological determinants underlying the social roles articulating communication subjects and their discursive practices in different media, such as those that establish gender as a social technology, the prevailing ideologies in different cultures and the major schools, movements, trends and authors of contemporary philosophical thinking.
- Solidarity: a feeling of fellowship with the different individuals and peoples on the planet, support of sustainability, as well as knowledge of the major cultural trends in relation with individual and collective values and respect for human rights.

# LEARNING OUTCOMES

1) To introduce the student to the knowledge of some of the main aspects of contemporary philosophy..

2) To help the student to adquire some keys to interpret the concepts and ways of thinking of the present world and to assess the circunstances that promoted their development.



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# WORKLOAD

ACTIVITY	Hours	% To be attended
Theory classes	60,00	100
Development of group work	10,00	0
Development of individual work	15,00	0
Study and independent work	25,00	0
Readings supplementary material	20,00	0
Preparation of evaluation activities	15,00	0
Preparation of practical classes and problem	5,00	0
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# **TEACHING METHODOLOGY**

The theoretical classes will have the form of a "master class" articulated around different texts of the authors, texts that will be provided via "aula virtual". The presentation of the syllabus by the teacher will be accompanied by the analysis and commentary of the most relevant passages of such texts.

During office hours, that will be announced in due time, advice about the issues dealt with in the theoretical hours, the literature or the assingments will be given.

# **EVALUATION**

The acquisition of the knowledge and competences corresponding to the theoretical part will be evaluated through a written exam. This task will contain several brief questions about different matters presented during the course. The mark obtained in this exam will determine 80% of the global mark. The practical part of the course will be evaluated according both to the participation and engagement in the classes and to the fulfilment of assingments.

# REFERENCES

### Basic

- Anderson, Perry. Las antinomias de Antonio Gramci. Estado y Revolución en Occidente, Ed. Fontamara
- Berger, John. Mirar, Ed. Gustavo Gili
- Butler, Judith. Marcos de guerra. Las vidas lloradas, Ed Paidós



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- Butler, Judith. Violència dEstat, guerra, resistència, Ed. CCCB
- Frank, André Gunder El desarrollo del subdesarrollo, Ed. Bolsillo
- Harvey, David Breve historia del neoliberalismo, Ed. Akal
- Klein, Naomi. Decir no, no basta, Ed. Paidós.
- Klein, Naomi. La doctrina del shock, Ed. Paidós
- Latouche, Serge Pequeño tratado del decrecimiento sereno, Ed. Icaria
- Polanyi, Karl La gran transformación, Virus editorial
- Polanyi, Karl La naturaleza del fascismo, Virus editorial
- Piketty, Thomas El capital en el siglo XXI, Ed. F. C. E.
- Rostow, W. W. Las etapas del crecimiento económico, Ed. F. C. E.
- Standing, Guy El precariado. Una nueva clase social, Ed Pasado y Presente

#### Additional

- George, Susan et alt. Contra la dictadura de los mercados, ATTAC
- Maucourant, Jérôme Descubrir a Polanyi, Ed. Bellaterra
- Ramonet, Ignacio La catástrofe perfecta. Crisis del siglo y refundación del porvenir, Ed. Icaria
- Serrano, Pascual Desinformación. Cómo los medios ocultan el mundo, Ed. Península
- Taibo, Carlos En defensa del decrecimiento. Sobre capitalismo, crisis y barbarie, Ed. La catarata
- Wallerstein, Immanuel El capitalismo histórico, Ed. Siglo XXI

# **ADDENDUM COVID-19**

This addendum will only be activated if the health situation requires so and with the prior agreement of the Governing Council

# English version is not available

### MODALIDAD DE DOCENCIA HÍBRIDA

- 1. Contenidos
- Se mantienen los contenidos inicialmente recogidos en la guía docente.
- 2. Volumen de trabajo y planificación temporal de la docencia

Se mantiene el peso de las diferentes actividades que suman las horas de dedicación en créditos ECTS



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marcados por la guía docente original.

- 3. Metodología docente
- Clase presencial teórico/práctica + vídeo conferencia síncrona BBC
- 4. Evaluación
- Examen presencial
- 5. Bibliografía

La bibliografía recomendada se mantiene porque es accesible.

