

COURSE OUTLINE

1. 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

LECTURER	Maria Venieri		
SEMESTER (fall/spring)	Fall		
SCHOOL	Faculty of Letters		
DEPARTMENT	Philosophy and Social Sciences		
LEVEL	Undergraduate		
COURSE CODE	ΦA305	SEMESTER OF STUDIES (1-8)	5-8
COURSE TITLE	Philosophy of religion		
INDEPENDENT TEACHING ACTIVITIES	WEEKLY LECTURE HOURS	ECTS CREDITS	
	3	10	
COURSE CLASSIFICATION	Seminar		
COURSE TYPE	Scientific area		
TEACHING COMPETENCE COURSE	No		
PREREQUISITES	Yes		
TEACHING AND EXAMINATION LANGUAGE	Greek/ Erasmus students can be given tutorials and deliver their essays in English		
AVAILABLE FOR ERASMUS STUDENTS	Yes		
COURSE URL			

1. 2. LEARNING OUTCOME

<p>This course aims to familiarize students with basic concepts and questions in the philosophy of religion. By the end of the course students are expected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • To have acquired an overview of the main concepts and issues in the philosophy of religion • • To be able to present and critically assess arguments concerning important debates in this area by having participated in a constructive and open minded way in class discussions • • To have developed analytical and critical skills, so that they will be able to write an essay, in which they will bring arguments for and against certain positions and present their own well founded view
<p>COURSE OBJECTIVES</p> <p>Search for, analysis and synthesis of data and information with the use of the necessary technology</p> <p>Adapting to new situations</p> <p>Working independently</p> <p>Team work</p> <p>Criticism and self-criticism</p> <p>Production of new research ideas</p> <p>Production of free, creative and inductive thinking</p>

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1. 3. **COURSE CONTENT**

The philosophy of religion critically investigates concepts and questions about different aspects of religious beliefs. In this seminar we will not confine ourselves to specific religious creeds and we will examine among others the issue about God's existence and the related arguments, the problem of evil, the possibility of miracles, the question of the afterlife, problems concerning religious experience, faith and its relation to reason, as well as the relation of religion to philosophy, science and morality.

1. 4. **TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT METHODS**

TEACHING METHOD	In class	
USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES	Yes, for teaching and communication with the students	
COURSE STRUCTURE● ACTIVITIES●		
<i>ACTIVITIES</i>	<i>SEMESTER WORKLOAD</i>	

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ASSESSMENT METHOD	Submission of an essay (70/100)	
	Evaluation is also based on the oral presentation and on participation in class discussions (30/100)	

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1. 5. **RECOMMENDED READINGS**

Basic readings

Davies, B. (ed.) *Philosophy of Religion: A Guide to the Subject*, Georgetown University Press 1998

Davies, B., *An Introduction to the philosophy of Religion*, Oxford: OUP 2004³

Ζουμπουλάκης, Σ. (επιμ.), *Ο Θεός της Βίβλου και ο Θεός των φιλοσόφων*, Αθήνα: Άρτος Ζωής 2012

Nielsen, K., *Εισαγωγή στη φιλοσοφία της θρησκείας*, μετάφρ. Β. Αδραχτάς, Αθήνα: Ψυχογιός 2002

Peterson, M.L. et al. (eds), *Contemporary Debates in Philosophy of Religion*, Oxford: Blackwell 2004

Taliaferro, C. et al. (eds), *A Companion to Philosophy of Religion*, Oxford: Blackwell 2010²

Τσάρσλγουορθ, Μ., *Φιλοσοφία και θρησκεία. Τυπολογία των σχέσεών τους από την αρχαιότητα έως σήμερα*, μετάφρ. Χρ. Τριανταφυλλόπουλος, Ηράκλειο: Π.Ε.Κ. 2015