

PH144-15 Mind and Reality

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Department

Philosophy

Level

Undergraduate Level 1

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Module duration

10 weeks

Assessment

Multiple

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

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Module aims

The aim of the module is to introduce students to some central issues in the philosophy of mind, metaphysics, and epistemology.

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Topics to be covered in the module include: (i) the nature of knowledge - can knowledge be conceptually analysed? (ii) Scepticism - is it possible to have knowledge of the external world? (iii) The mind-body problem - could consciousness be a brain process? (iv) Personal identity.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- By the end of the module students should have an understanding of the central problems in epistemology, metaphysics, and mind discussed in the module, and should have an understanding of the central concepts that frame these problems.
- They should be able to clearly articulate the opposing positions in those debates, and be able to outline arguments in support of those different positions.
- They should have a good understanding of the key literature discussed, and able to analyse and critically evaluate the arguments for and against the positions defended in the key literature.
- They should be able to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding in speech and writing.
- They should be able draw connections between the key ideas and arguments discussed in the module to other problems and debates in philosophy.

Indicative reading list

[Reading lists can be found in Talis](#)

Subject specific skills

TBC

Transferable skills

TBC

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	18 sessions of 1 hour (12%)
Seminars	8 sessions of 1 hour (5%)
Private study	124 hours (83%)
Total	150 hours

Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Students can register for this module without taking any assessment.

Assessment group D7

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Take Home Exam	20%		No
1 x 72-hour take home exam comprising 2 x 500 word exercises submitted in term in which module is taught			
2 hour exam	80%		No
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Assessment group R5

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Examination	100%		No
2 hour exam			

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Feedback on assessment

Detailed written feedback will be provided on take home exam. An examiner's report will be prepared to provide feedback on the examination.

[Past exam papers for PH144](#)

Availability

Anti-requisite modules

If you take this module, you cannot also take:

- PH133-30 Introduction to Philosophy

- PH134-30 Introduction to Philosophy Without Logic

Courses

This module is Core for:

- Year 1 of UPHA-VL78 BA in Philosophy with Psychology
- UMAA-GV17 Undergraduate Mathematics and Philosophy
 - Year 1 of GV17 Mathematics and Philosophy
 - Year 1 of GV17 Mathematics and Philosophy
 - Year 1 of GV17 Mathematics and Philosophy
- UPHA-V700 Undergraduate Philosophy
 - Year 1 of V700 Philosophy
 - Year 1 of V700 Philosophy

This module is Optional for:

- Year 1 of UHIA-V1V5 Undergraduate History and Philosophy
- UIPA-V5L8 Undergraduate Philosophy and Global Sustainable Development
 - Year 1 of V5L8 Philosophy and Global Sustainable Development
 - Year 1 of V5L8 Philosophy and Global Sustainable Development
- Year 1 of UPHA-VQ72 Undergraduate Philosophy and Literature
- Year 1 of UPHA-VQ52 Undergraduate Philosophy, Literature and Classics
- UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics
 - Year 1 of V7MR Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)
 - Year 1 of V7MR Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)
 - Year 1 of V7MP Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite)
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- UPHA-V7MW Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law
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