UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Moral Philosophy

2122-1-E1901R017

Course title

Moral Philosophy: City, World, Cosmos

Topics and course structure

Philosophy in its archaic sense, as the art of life. The issue of human nature and the human condition. Exploration of possible worlds. Relationship between politics and cosmology.

Objectives

Developing: 1) reading and interpretive abilities; 2) capacity for autonomous articulation; 3) critical and dialectical skills; 4) self-awareness and formative abilities; 5) listening and dialogical ability in pedagogical/analytical context.

Methodologies

Lectures, discussion, seminars.

Online and offline teaching materials

Programme and references for attending students

Through the close reading of a text of absolute relevance in the ancient Greek tradition as well as today, the course addresses a few fundamental questions concerning human existence: the experience of finitude and suffering, the abyss of nonsense and measurelessness, the quest for justice and a sustainable world, the need to harmonize individual, collective, and cosmic life.

Bibliography:

Pierre Hadot, *What is Ancient Philosophy?* Belknap Press

Claudia Baracchi, *Aristotle's Ethics as First Philosophy*, Cambridge University Press

Aristotle, *Nicomachean Ethics*

Programme and references for non-attending students

Same

Assessment methods

Oral exam.

Evaluation criteria: Clarity of exposition, Adequate knowledge of themes and reading assignments, Capacity for critical analysis and interpretation

Office hours

By appointment.

Programme validity

2 years.

Course tutors and assistants

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