UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Philosophy of Mind and Theory of Affections

2627-2-F8502R010

Course title

Mind and passions in Descartes, Spinoza and Leibniz

Topics and course structure

The lessonswill reconstruct the concept of interior space proposed by Descartes in the Metaphysical Meditations, showing the theoretical consequences this entailed and the debates it sparked among his contemporaries.

Objectives

The aim is to show the philosophical-political *enjeu* of the question of interiority.

Methodologies

Lectures and class discussions

Online and offline teaching materials

Programme and references

Texts by Descartes, Spinoza and Leibniz will be uploaded as teaching material

Assessment methods

Spoken exams, aimed at ascertaining the knowledge and understanding of the texts indicated in the bibliography as well as the students' ability to frame philosophical concepts in a historical perspective. An element of evaluation will also be the mastery of the philosophical vocabulary and, more generally, of the human sciences, as well as the ability to argue clearly for or against a particular thesis. Finally, making judgments and communication skills will be evaluated.

Office hours

wednesday 15, 00-17, 00

Programme validity

The programs last two academic years.

Course tutors and assistants

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