

Course descriptions

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2026/2027	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Arts	
Course ID: FiF.KFDF/A-moFI-401/22	Course title: Aquinas - Theory of Law
Educational activities: Type of activities: seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 per level/semester: 28 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 4	
Recommended semester: 2., 4., 16.	
Educational level: II.	
Prerequisites:	
Course requirements: During the instruction period of the semester: one test (in the first half of the semester) and the seminar paper is submitted in the penultimate week of the instruction period of the semester. Students can score a maximum of 100 points for the test, the minimum for passing the course is 60 points. The weight of the test is 50% of the final assessment. The remaining 50% of the assessment consists of seminar paper. Test grading scale: A: 100%-92%; B: 91%-84%; C: 83%-76%; D: 75%-68%; E: 67%-60% FX: 59%-0% The teacher will accept a maximum of two absences with documentation. Violation of academic ethics may result in the cancellation of the points scored in the relevant assessment item. Scale of assessment (preliminary/final): 100%/ 0%	
Learning outcomes:	
Class syllabus: Definition of law . Law and reason; law and will. Classification of laws. Eternal law. Natural law - 1. Natural law - 2. Law and practical reason; synderesis and conscience. Positive law. Functions of the positive law. Division of the positive law. Relation of the Decalogue, the natural and positive law. Criticism and reception of natural-law theories.	
Recommended literature: Thomas Aquinas: Summa theologiae, q.90 - 97; q.100; q.107.	

Kluxen, W.: Philosophische Ethik bei Thomas von Aquin. Hamburg : Meiner - Verlag, 1998. q.90 - 97; q.100; q.107. Prague : Krystal OP, 2003.						
Languages necessary to complete the course: English, German						
Notes:						
Past grade distribution Total number of evaluated students: 1						
A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
100,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0
Lecturers: prof. Mgr. Michal Chabada, PhD.						
Last change: 22.06.2022						
Approved by: prof. Mgr. Michal Chabada, PhD., prof. PhDr. Roman Holec, DrSc., prof. PhDr. Daniel Lančarič, PhD., prof. PhDr. Miloslav Vojtech, PhD.						

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2026/2027	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Arts	
Course ID: FiF.KFDF/A-boFI-005/22	Course title: History of Philosophy 1: Ancient Philosophy
Educational activities: Type of activities: lecture / seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 / 1 per level/semester: 28 / 14 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 5	
Recommended semester: 1., 3., 5., 15.	
Educational level: I.	
Prerequisites:	
Antirequisites: FiF.KFDF/A-buSZ-108/22	
Course requirements: a) Preliminary evaluation during the instruction period: two written examinations during the semester assessed by max. 100 points each. According to their preferences, students have the opportunity to present papers on the topics of the seminar sessions, which are not a requirement for the exam and are of a consultative nature. b) During the examination period: oral examination. To be admitted to the exam, a student must score a minimum of 70 points on both tests, so that neither test scores less than 30 points. The exam question includes an explanatory part and an interpretation of a philosophical text. For the examination, the student can score max. 200 points. Grading scale: 400-368: A; 367-336: B; 335-304: C; 303-272: D; 271-240: E; 239- 0: FX The exact dates for the tests and the topics of the paper will be announced at the beginning of the semester. The dates for the examination will be announced through AIS no later than in the last week of the instruction period. The teacher will accept a maximum of two absences with documentation. Violation of academic ethics may result in the cancellation of the points scored in the relevant assessment item. Scale of assessment (preliminary/final): 50% preliminary/50% examination period	
Learning outcomes: After successfully completing the course, the students will be familiar with the major historical periods, focus personalities, key works, and thematisations of ancient philosophical thought. They understand how individual ancient thinkers approached the understanding of the world, man and society. The graduate of the course is able to carry out further historical-philosophical research in the field of ancient philosophy, applying a critical approach to the sources and interpretations.	
Class syllabus: 1. The origin of ancient philosophy - various aspects of the unique historical phenomenon. 2. Pre-Socratics before Parmenides: Anaximandros, Herakleitos (seminar topic), Pythagoreans 3. Eleatic School: Xenofanes, Parmenides (seminar topic), Zano and aporia. 4. Pre-Socratics after Parmenides: Atomists, Democritos (seminar topic), Empedocles, Anaxagoras	

5. Sophists and Socrates, socratics, Socratic dialogue, Eutyfron (seminar paper topic)
6. Plato: ontology and epistemology (seminar topic)
7. Plato: the doctrine of the soul
8. Plato: ethics and politics (2 seminar topics)
9. Aristotle and his categories, first and second essences, motion as change, classification of substance and its explanatory significance
10. Aristotle and his understanding of metaphysics (seminar topic), “being” (seminar topic), God (seminar topic),
11. Aristotle and his practical philosophy: ethics (seminar topic) and politics.
12. Hellenism: characteristics, stoicism (seminar topic), epicureanism, scepticism.
13. Neoplatonism

Recommended literature:

COPLESTON, Frederick. Dějiny filosofie I: Řecko a Řím. Olomouc: Refugium Velehrad – Roma, 2014. ISBN 978-80-7412-167-8.

Predsokratovci a Platón. Zostavil Jaroslav Martinka. Bratislava: Iris, 1996. ISBN 80-88778-50-6.

Od Aristotela po Plotina. Antológia z diel filozofov. Zostavil a úvod napísal Jaroslav Martinka.

Preklad Július Špaňár a Miloslav Okál. Bratislava: Iris, 2006. ISBN 976-80-89238-11-8.

PLATÓN: Dialógy 3. Preložil Július Špaňár. Bratislava: Tatran, 1990. ISBN 80-222-0127-8.

KIRK, Geoffrey Stephen, RAVEN, John Earle a Malcolm SCHOFIELD: Předsókratovští filosofové. Přeložili Filip Karfík, Petr Kolev a Tomáš Vitek. Praha: OIKOYMENH, 2004. ISBN 80-7298-110-2.

KALAŠ, Andrej. Antická filozofia I: Predsokratovská filozofia. Bratislava: Univerzita Komenského v Bratislave, 2023. ISBN 978-80-223-5391-5

Students will be acquainted with supplementary literature during the lessons.

Languages necessary to complete the course:

Slovak, Czech (receptive acquaintance)

Notes:

Past grade distribution

Total number of evaluated students: 342

A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
23,98	0,0	14,62	17,54	7,02	9,06	27,78

Lecturers: prof. Mgr. Andrej Kalaš, PhD.

Last change: 17.04.2023

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

Academic year: 2026/2027	
University: Comenius University Bratislava	
Faculty: Faculty of Arts	
Course ID: FiF.KFDF/A-moFI-403/22	Course title: Mathematics in the History of Philosophy
Educational activities: Type of activities: seminar Number of hours: per week: 2 per level/semester: 28 Form of the course: on-site learning	
Number of credits: 5	
Recommended semester: 2., 4., 16.	
Educational level: II.	
Prerequisites:	
Course requirements: Active participation in classes (max. 3 documented absences), preliminary knowledge test in the middle of the instruction period of the semester (max. number of points: 20), final written exam (max. number of points: 30). Total assessment: max. number of points: 50. (100-92% - A, 91-84% - B, 83-76 – C, 75-68 - D, 67-60 – E). Violation of academic ethics may result in the cancellation of the points scored in the relevant assessment item. Scale of assessment (preliminary/final): 100% preliminary	
Learning outcomes: After successfully completing the course, students have knowledge of significant events in the history of ancient and modern mathematics, which are closely related to philosophical thinking. They have a deeper understanding of the role of exact thinking in philosophy. They are able to apply and extend their mathematical skills (algebra, arithmetic, geometry, basics of differential calculus) using particular examples.	
Class syllabus: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The relationship between philosophy and mathematics in the history of philosophy. 2. Thales and the idea of mathematical proof. 3. Pythagoreans and the discovery of incommensurability. 4. Zeno's aporias (paradoxes). 5. Aristotle's solution of Zeno's aporia. 6. Zeno's aporias from the perspective of modern science. 7. Plato's philosophy of mathematics. Platonism in the philosophy of mathematics. 8. Aristotle's philosophy of mathematics. The problem of (mathematical) infinity. 9. Euclid's Elements as a model for mathematics and philosophy. 10. Descartes' analytic geometry as a model method. 11. Spinoza's ethics according to the model of geometry. 12. Leibniz as a mathematician. The discovery of infinitesimal calculus. 	

Recommended literature:

ZNÁM, Štefan (a kolektív). Pohľad do dejín matematiky. Bratislava: Alfa, 1986.

ČIŽMÁR, Ján. Dejiny matematiky - Od najstarších čias po súčasnosť. Bratislava: Perfekt, 2017. ISBN 978-80-8046-829-3.

STRUÍK, Dirk J. Dějiny matematiky. Praha: Orbis, 1963.

RÉNYI, Alfréd. Dialógy o matematike. Bratislava: Alfa, 1977.

Complementary literature and literature that is not in Academical Library of Comenius University will be presented at the beginning and during the semester. Teachers' presentations and non-Academical Library literature are available at MS Teams

Languages necessary to complete the course:

Slovak

Notes:**Past grade distribution**

Total number of evaluated students: 34

A	ABS	B	C	D	E	FX
29,41	0,0	8,82	44,12	2,94	11,76	2,94

Lecturers: Mgr. Róbert Maco, PhD.

Last change: 23.05.2022

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