

**CLU33211 Explaining the World
(JS)**

Module Code	CLU33211
Module Name	Explaining the World
ECTS Weighting	10 ECTS
Semester taught	Semester 1
Module Coordinator/s	Dr Susannah Ashton
<u>Module Learning Outcomes with embedded Graduate Attributes</u>	<p>On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:</p> <p>LO1. Interpret Plato's dialogues in their historical, dramatic/literary and philosophical context as literary, philosophical and political works</p> <p>LO2. Evaluate the key intellectual influences on Plato's thought and the form of his writing</p> <p>LO3. Evaluate Platonic answers to the question of how we should live in their original context</p> <p>LO4. Critique existing scholarly approaches to Plato</p>
Module Content	<p>At the beginning of all philosophy, Plato and Aristotle claimed, lies amazement at the world. Greek philosophical explanations of the world, in turn, articulate understandings of what kinds of beings we are and what we should do with our lives. This module explores one intriguing set of answers to these questions through a selection of texts drawn from the first complete corpus of Greek philosophical works that survive from antiquity, the dialogues of Plato.</p>
Teaching and Learning Methods	<p>This module is taught through twice weekly lectures (22 lectures) accompanied by one seminar every two weeks (5 seminars). Attendance at all classes is compulsory.</p>

Assessment Details	Assessment Component	Assessment Description	LO Addressed	% of total	Week due
	1.	Essay	1-4	50	W8
	3.	Exam	1-4	50	Assessment period
Reassessment Requirements	Same as original assessment (50% coursework, 50% exam). Only failed components are reassessed.				
Contact Hours and Indicative Student Workload	Contact hours: 27 (22 hrs of lectures x 5 hrs of seminars)				
	Independent Study (preparation for course and review of materials): 113				
	Independent Study (preparation for assessment, incl. completion of assessment): 110				
Recommended Reading List	Benson, H. (ed.) (2006) <i>A Companion to Plato</i> . Oxford. Mason, A.S. (2010) <i>Plato</i> . Durham. Ahbel-Rappe, S. and Kamtkar, R. (eds.) (2006) <i>A Companion to Socrates</i> . Oxford.				
Module Pre-requisite	none				
Module Co-requisite	none				
Module Website	https://www.tcd.ie/classics/undergraduate/explaining-the-world.php				
Are other Schools/Departments involved in the delivery of this module? If yes, please provide details.	no				