

PIP77091 — Philosophical Paradigms

Module Information	
Module Code	PIP77091
Module Title	Philosophical Paradigms
Department	Philosophy
Module Personnel	Dr. Julian Bacharach and Dr. Rowan Mellor
Academic Year	2026-27
Credit Weighting	10ECTS
Semester	Semester 1
Contact Hours	2-hour seminar weekly

Module Content	
Module Description	This module will introduce students to some different contemporary styles of philosophy through the study of some seminal philosophical texts of postwar ‘analytic’ philosophy, and the current literature arising from those texts. The module will be divided into two halves, led respectively by the two instructors. The two halves of term will focus on different texts representing contrasting ways of doing philosophy.
Module Learning Aims	To introduce students to key texts, debates and moments of significance for contemporary; to develop skills of close reading and critical argumentation; and to develop a reflexive awareness of the different possible ways of doing philosophy, their strengths and limitations.
Learning Outcomes	The module will serve as a foundation for continuing to do research in philosophy, through the development of the above skills.
Indicative Reading / Resources	Texts will be decided on and announced by the beginning of term.



Assessment	
Assessment Components	1 x essay of 3,000 words (100%)
Assessment Details	The essay may be on any topic or text covered over the course of the module.

Additional Information	
Prerequisites	None
Co-requisites	None
Any other information	-