

PIU22074 — History of Philosophy II B (Analytic Philosophy)

Module Information	
Module Code	PIU22074
Module Title	History of Philosophy II B (Analytic Philosophy)
Department	Philosophy
Year Group	Senior Freshman
Module Personnel	Dr. Julian Bacharach
Academic Year	2026-27
Credit Weighting	5ECTS
Semester	1
Contact Hours	2x lectures per week + 4x tutorials

Module Content	
Module Description	Module Learning Aims: This module will offer an overview of key moments and debates in 20 th century Anglophone/ 'analytic' philosophy (and its German and Austrian roots).
Module Learning Aims	Module Learning Outcomes: Students will become familiar with the work of key figures such as Frege, Russell, Stebbing, Wittgenstein, Ayer, Austin and Quine.
Learning Outcomes	Topics covered may include: Frege's analysis of quantification and the foundations of arithmetic, sense and reference, Russell's theory of descriptions, Stebbing and Moore on philosophical analysis, Carnap and Ayer's rejection of metaphysics, Wittgenstein's theories of meaning in the <i>Tractatus</i> and the <i>Investigations</i> , and Quine's attack on the analytic-synthetic distinction.
Indicative Reading / Resources	A helpful, brief introduction to the figures and topics studied in the course is Michael Beaney's <i>Analytic Philosophy: A Very Short Introduction</i> (OUP 2017).

Assessment	
Assessment Components	Participation (15%) Exam (85%)
Assessment Details	In the exam you will answer one question. This must be on a topic from another part of term, from that which you wrote your essay on.

Additional Information	
Prerequisites	None.
Co-requisites	None.