

Philosophical Analysis | PIU33181

Year	Junior Sophister
ECTS Credits	10
Contact Hours	22 (22 x 1-hour seminars)
Pre-requisite	None
Semester	1
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Module Outline:

The course considers the methodology of analytic philosophy in form of philosophical analysis. One major focus of the course is the question how analysis affects different areas of philosophy. We consider the use of logic in providing analyses and how such logical analyses impact on, for example, metaphysics. In particular, we consider, among others, how the logical positivists attempted to show that metaphysics is meaningless, how Quine applies analyses to establish a better way of doing ontology, and how modern authors see the relationship between metaphysics and analysis.

Assessment:

1 Essay (mid term) 50%: 1 Examination (end of module) 50%.

Recommended Reading List:

An extensive and detailed reading list will be made available at the start of the module. But among the essential readings for the early weeks of the course will be

Carnap, Rudolf (1932/57). *The Elimination of Metaphysics Through Logical Analysis of Language*. In Ayer (1959), *Logical Positivism*, pp. 60-81, New York: The Free Press

Daly, Chris (2010). *An Introduction to Philosophical Methods*. Peterborough: Broadview

Quine, W.V.O (1948). On What There is. *The Review of Metaphysics* 2(5), 21-38