

## Metaphysics (A001227)

Due to Covid 19, the education and evaluation methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

<b>Course size</b>	<i>(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)</i>		
<b>Credits</b> 5.0	<b>Study time</b> 150 h	<b>Contact hrs</b>	45.0 h

### Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2020-2021

A (semester 2)	Dutch	Gent	lecture	2.5 h
			seminar	7.5 h
			online discussion group	7.5 h
			self-reliant study activities	1.25 h
			guided self-study	2.5 h
			group work	1.25 h

### Lecturers in academic year 2020-2021

De Vreese, Leen	LW01	lecturer-in-charge
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### Offered in the following programmes in 2020-2021

	crdts	offering
<a href="#">Master of Science in Teaching in Arts and Humanities (main subject Philosophy)</a>	5	A
<a href="#">Master of Arts in Philosophy</a>	5	A

### Teaching languages

Dutch

### Keywords

metaphysics of science, scientific realism, natural kinds, philosophy of medicine, philosophy of psychiatry

### Position of the course

In this specialised course the students get insight into the aims and methods of contemporary metaphysics of science by means of two topics in the philosophy of medicine and philosophy of psychiatry.

### Contents

Study of the debates around scientific realism and natural kinds via their applications in the domain of the biomedical sciences: the concept disease in medicine, and classification in psychiatry.

### Initial competences

### Final competences

- 1 Understanding complex debates in the metaphysics of science (their aims and methods, the positions taken).
- 2 Defending your own position regarding the philosophical debates discussed during this course.

### Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

### Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

### Teaching methods

Guided self-study, group work, lecture, online discussion group, seminar, self-reliant study activities

**Extra information on the teaching methods**

Due to COVID19 changes in the didactic methods that are used may occur if necessary.

**Learning materials and price**

Texts available via Minerva. Estimated price: 12,00 €

**References****Course content-related study coaching**

Individual help is offered by the lecturers.

**Evaluation methods**

continuous assessment

**Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period****Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period****Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation**

Participation, assignment, peer assessment

**Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation**

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

**Calculation of the examination mark**

100% non-periodic evaluation.

**Facilities for Working Students**

*Possibility to get exemption from attendance after consultation with the responsible teacher about a replacement assignment.*

Extra information: For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy