Course Specifications
Valid as from the academic year 2016-2017

Course size
(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)
Credits  5.0  Study time  150 h  Contact hrs  40.0 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2020-2021
A (year)  Dutch  bachelor's dissertation  40.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2020-2021
Claes, Tom  LW01  lecturer-in-charge
Praet, Danny  LW01  co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in  2020-2021  
Bachelor of Arts in Moral Sciences  5  A

Teaching languages
Dutch

Keywords
Researchproject, bachelorpaper, literature review, argumentation, writing skills, philosophy, ethics, moral science

Position of the course
The bachelorpaper is the final building block of the bachelorstudy in moral sciences. As such it realises the essential research competencies of the course. The research should fit within the remit and identity of the bacehlor moral sciences at University of Ghent.

Contents
The students works on the bachelorpaper under supervision of a promoter. The bachelorpaper complements the course MoralScience: Practical Issues. While in this course social scientific competencies are central, in the bachelorpaper the student develops his normative-philosophical argumentation skills.

Initial competences
Having sufficient critical reflection, research, and reporting competencies. These will further be elaborated during the proces of working on the bachelorpaper.
Having succesfully completed Philosophical Methodology I and Normative Ethics - or having acquired the necessary skills in other ways

Final competences
1. Having a critical insight in selected domains in philosophy that tie in with the bachelorpaper.
2. Having a critical insight in the links between philosophical issues and social, cultural and (if needed) scientific developments.
3. Being able to develop a research project on bachelor level.
4. Being able to critically reflect on one's own philosophical ideas and being able to substantiate these with arguments based on a literature review.
5. Having reporting skill on a bachelor level.

Conditions for credit contract
This course unit cannot be taken via a credit contract

Conditions for exam contract
This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods
Bachelor's dissertation

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Learning materials and price
  Minerva
References
  Depends on the chosen project.
Course content-related study coaching
  By the promoter.
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
Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation
  examination during the second examination period is possible
Extra information on the examination methods
  The bachelorpaper will be evaluated by the promoter. Elements that will play a role in the evaluation proces: knowledge of ethics and moral science and moral scientific methodology, developing relevant research questions, structure of the paper, identification and critical use of relevant literature. Also the intellectual attitude of the student and the ability to link moral scientific research with societal and individual aspect play a role in the evaluation, as are the work-proces, the interaction with the promotor and other members of staff.
Calculation of the examination mark
  100% Non-periodical.