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Course details

Course title

Philosophy: Philosophy behind the Headlines

Course code

Q00017510

Course date

Start: 16/01/25

End: 27/03/25

Number of classes

10 sessions

Timetable

Thu 16th Jan, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 23rd Jan, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 30th Jan, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 6th Feb, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 13th Feb, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 27th Feb, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 6th Mar, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 13th Mar, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 20th Mar, 14:00 to 16:00

Thu 27th Mar, 14:00 to 16:00

Branch

Finchley and Muswell Hill Branch

Tutor

Daniel Williams

Fee:

£100.00

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes at the venue indicated. Some materials may be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

In venue

Venue

Blue Beetle Room (London)

Hendon Lane

Finchley

London

N3 1TR

Level of study

Beginners

Course overview

The course will briefly introduce the principal ideas of a selection of philosophers and apply these to the discussion of the news headlines and the controversies that lie behind them. This course will encourage discussion and sharing of ideas about current affairs and will involve reflecting on how to make philosophy a part of this discussion. Reading material will be provided on Canvas and the tutor will introduce the key ideas of relevant articles. However, reading before class is not essential. The main activity is to share ideas on news stories.

Course description

This course provides students with the opportunity to discuss news stories which they have chosen to focus on as well as news items introduced by the tutor. The tutor will facilitate discussion and relate this to ideas from Philosophy. If you are interested in exploring different responses to headline stories please join us. The course does not require any previous experience in Philosophy. Key ideas will be introduced by the tutor ranging from famous quotations to theories developed in political and moral philosophy. Resources, ranging from podcasts to newspaper articles, will be used by the tutor to develop our understanding of both philosophical ideas and issues in current affairs. The course is for both beginners and anyone who already has any experience in this subject. The day will involve a variety of topics and philosophical concepts. Agreement with the philosophy presented is not required just a willingness to engage or listen to discussion in the group.

What financial support is available?

We don't want anything to stand in your way when it comes to bringing Adult learning within reach so if you need anything to support you to achieve your goals then speak to one of our education experts during your enrolment journey. Most of our courses are government funded but if you don't qualify or need alternative financial help to access them then let us know.

What other support is available?

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