



Course details

Course title

Philosophy: The Existence of God

Course code

Q00018541

Course date

Start: 09/10/24

End: 13/11/24

Number of classes

5 sessions

Timetable

Wed 9th Oct, 10:45 to 12:45

Wed 16th Oct, 10:45 to 12:45

Wed 23rd Oct, 10:45 to 12:45

Wed 6th Nov, 10:45 to 12:45

Wed 13th Nov, 10:45 to 12:45

Branch

Leighton Buzzard

Tutor

Karim Esmail

Fee:

£50.40

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

Leighton Buzzard Theatre Lounge (Leighton
Lake Street
Leighton Buzzard
LU7 1RX

Level of study

Beginners

Course overview

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Sessions consist of clearly structured talks and an encouragement to ask questions and to make comments.

Participants are assisted in their understanding of the subject and in their critical engagement with it.

There is in each session an opportunity to engage with other participants.

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?

All of our digital content, teaching and learning activities and assessments are designed to be accessible so if you need any additional support you can discuss this with the education experts during your enrolment journey and we will do all we can to make sure you have optimal access.

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