

## 25503 - Ethical theories

### Información del Plan Docente

Academic Year	2016/17
Academic center	103 - Facultad de Filosofía y Letras
Degree	269 - Degree in Philosophy
ECTS	6.0
Course	1
Period	Second semester
Subject Type	Basic Education
Module	---

### 1. Basic info

#### 1.1. Recommendations to take this course

#### 1.2. Activities and key dates for the course

### 2. Initiation

#### 2.1. Learning outcomes that define the subject

#### 2.2. Introduction

### 3. Context and competences

#### 3.1. Goals

#### 3.2. Context and meaning of the subject in the degree

#### 3.3. Competences

#### 3.4. Importance of learning outcomes

### 4. Evaluation

### 5. Activities and resources

#### 5.1. General methodological presentation

See "Learning activities " and "Program".

More information will be provided on the first day of class.

#### 5.2. Learning activities

- Theoretical lectures.
- Practical lectures.

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- Individual work.
- Personal study.
- Assessment activities.

### 5.3.Program

#### **[I] Introduction .**

[1] The matter of Ethics. Ancient and modern Ethics.

[2] A classification of ethical theories.

#### **[II] The foundation of morality: two rationalist approaches.**

[1] Th. Hobbes. Contractarianism and its limits.

[2] I. Kant. Rationality and morality.

#### **[III] Some classical critics to Kant's moral philosophy .**

[1] G. W. F. Hegel: "Ethical life" ( *Sittlichkeit* ) vs. Morality.

[2] A. Schopenhauer: the ethics of compassion.

[3] S. Kierkegaard: morality and decision.

[4] F. Nietzsche: life beyond morality.

#### **[IV] Contemporary Ethics: some approaches.**

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[1] Intuitionism (G. E. Moore), Emotivism (Ch. L. Stevenson), Existentialism (J. P. Sartre).

[2] Communitarianism (A. MacIntyre): going back to Hegel and Aristotle.

[3] Kantian rationalism revisited: Discourse ethics (J. Habermas, K.-O. Apel).

### 5.4.Planning and scheduling

See the academic calendar of the University of Zaragoza ( <http://academico.unizar.es/calendario-academico/calendario> ) and the website of the Faculty of Philosophy and Arts ( *Schedule of classes* : <https://fyl.unizar.es/horario-de-clases#overlay-context=horario-de-clases> ; Examination schedule: <https://fyl.unizar.es/calendario-de-examenes#overlay-context> =)

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### 5.5.Bibliography and recommended resources