

Course unit title:	Introduction to Philosophy		
Course unit code:	APHI 101		
Type of course unit:	Optional		
Level of course unit:	Bachelor		
Year of study:	4		
Semester when the unit is delivered:	8 (Spring)		
Number of ECTS credits allocated :	6		
Name of lecturer(s):	Sotiris Theocharides		
Learning outcomes of the course unit:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Explain the terminology, the basic philosophical concepts, its categories, its research methods and its theoretical approaches. 2. Describe the beginning and the goals of philosophical thought, the relationships between philosophy, science and society as well as the role mission of philosophy. 3. Analyze philosophical texts and to acquire philosophical education and ability of critical thought. 4. Approach the basic philosophical problems such as the ontological, the cognitive, the metaphysical and the axiological. 5. Shape a philosophical theoretical framework in order to participate in observation and presentation of contemporary philosophical movements and research in Greece and Cyprus. 		
Mode of delivery:	Face-to-face		
Prerequisites:	None	Co-requisites:	None
Recommended optional program components:	None		
Course contents:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Philosophy: The scope of philosophy. The beginning and the goals of philosophical thought. Philosophy in the daily life. The mission of philosophy. • Philosophical research: Induction and production. The origins of philosophical methods. Modern and contemporary philosophical methods. Analytical and hermeneutic methods. The dialectic matter. • Divisions of philosophy: Philosophy from antiquity until today. A systematic order of philosophy. • Philosophical problems: Ontological, cognitive, metaphysical and axiological problems • The philosophical though and the historical foundation of philosophy: Ancient Greek philosophy, Medieval philosophy • Modern and contemporary philosophy: The philosophy of Renaissance, Rationalism, the Enlightenment, the German Idealism and contemporary philosophical movements. The contemporary philosophical research in Greece and Cyprus. 		

Recommended and/or required reading:	
Textbooks:	<p>N. Αυγελής: <i>Εισαγωγή στη Φιλοσοφία</i>, 4η έκδοση, 2004. Θ. Βέικος: <i>Προλεγόμενα στη Φιλοσοφία</i>, Θεμέλιο, Αθήνα 1987. Ρ. Σολομόν – Κ. Χίγκινς: <i>Μια σύντομη Ιστορία της φιλοσοφίας</i>, Φιλίστωρ, Αθήνα 1999. Reader with a collection of articles.</p>
References:	<p>Mario Vegetti: <i>Ιστορία της Αρχαίας Φιλοσοφίας</i>. Αθήνα: Τραυλός 2001. Β. Κάλφας / Γ. Ζωγραφίδης: <i>Αρχαίοι Έλληνες φιλόσοφοι</i>. Θεσσαλονίκη: ΙΝΣ 2006. Ζαν-Μισέλ Μπενιέ: <i>Ιστορία της νεωτερικής και σύγχρονης φιλοσοφίας</i>, Αθήνα: Καστανιώτης 1999. Φρ. Σατελέ: <i>Η Φιλοσοφία</i> (4 τόμοι, μτφρ. Κ. Παπαγιώργης). Αθήνα: Γνώση 1984.</p>
Planned learning activities and teaching methods:	This course is delivered to the students by means of lectures and discussions.
Assessment methods and criteria:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 40% • Final Exam 60%
Language of instruction:	Greek
Work placement(s):	No