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| Code of course: BA-ERA-IPH-S-2, MA-ERA-IPH-S-1 |
| Title of course: **Philosophy of Religion** |
| Lecturer: Gábor Borbély |
| **General aim of the course:** This is an introductory course to the philosophy of religion.**Content of the course:*** Atheism, agnosticism, theism: utterly useless labels?
* The meaningfulness or meaninglessness of religious language
* Attributes of a perfect being: incoherence, but who cares?
* Arguments for the existence of God from religious experience
* Arguments against the existence of God from evil
* Ontological arguments
* Cosmological arguments
* Design arguments
* Moral arguments for the existence of God
* Miracles

**Grading criteria, specific requirements:**Five number grades, presentation**Required reading:**Davies, Brian, *An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion*, OPUS, Oxford · New York: Oxford University Press, 1993.)Hume, David, *Dialogues concerning Natural Religion*, Edited By Dorothy Coleman, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2007.Kenny, A., *The God Of The Philosophers*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1979 (Reprinted 2001)Le Poidevin, R., *Agnosticism: A Very Short Introduction*, Oxford: OUP, 2010. Mackie, J. L*., The Miracle of Theism*, Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1982. **Suggested further reading:**Adams, M. M. and Adams, R. M. (eds*), The Problem of Evil*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1992. Alston, William P., *Perceiving God. The Epistemology of Religious Experience*, Cornell University Press 1991.Cicero, *The Nature of the Gods*, Translated with Introduction and Explanatory Notes by P.G. Walsh Clarendon Press Oxford 1997. Le Poidevin, Robin, *Arguing for Atheism: An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion*, London and New York: Routledge, 1996.Martin, M., *Atheism: A Philosophical Justification*, Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1990. Martin, Michael (ed) *The Cambridge Companion to Atheism,* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press 2007.Oppy, G. – Trakakis, N. N.: *The History of Western Philosophy of Religion*, Volume 1 – 4, Routledge, 2014Swinburne, R., *The Coherence of Theism,* Revised Ed., Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1993*.* |