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| Code of course: **BA-ERA-IPH-S-19, MA-ERA-IPH-S-19** |
| Title of course: **Topics in the Philosophy of Action** |
| Lecturer: **Jamie Elliott** |
| **General aim of the course:**This course addresses topics in the philosophy of action and offers an introduction to various debates and historical positions of the field.**Content of the course:** The course begins by offering an introduction to Wittgenstein’s later philosophical project and how he sought to realise it through developing a philosophy of language. We will then consider various ways in which Wittgenstein’s project has been interpreted by or inspired later thinkers including Elizabeth Anscombe and Hilary Putnam. Session One: Approaching Wittgenstein’s later work.Session Two: Wittgenstein's philosophical vision and one way to achieve it. Session Three: Accounts of meaning which Wittgenstein critiquesSession Four: The account of meaning in the *Philosophical Investigations* (1958)Session Five: Was Wittgenstein a common-sense philosopher?Session Six: Is this a dream?Session Seven: Introspection and the metaphysics of mindSession Eight: What am I? Session Nine: Am I a brain in a vat? Session Ten: GoodnessSession Eleven: MadnessSession Twelve: Hinge epistemology**Grading criteria, specific requirements:**Grades will be based on an essay (1500-3000 words). Although essay questions will be provided, participants are strongly encouraged to develop their own paper/project in response to material from the course. |