

Programa | Course Description 2023/2024

Unidade Curricular | *Course Unit*

Topics in the Philosophy of Mind (tópicos avançados)

Código da Unidade Curricular | *Course ID*

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ECTS | *Credits*

12

Ciclo de Estudos | *Level*

3º

Semestre | *Semester*

2º

Docente(s) | *Instructor(s)*

David Yates

Língua de ensino | *Language of instruction*

Inglês / English (but students may write exams in Portuguese)

Programa (na língua de ensino) | *Course description (in language of instruction)*

This course introduces several of the central topics in philosophy of mind and cognitive science. Possible topics include (but are not limited to): consciousness, brain bisection and the unity of consciousness, freedom of the will from both scientific and philosophical perspectives, computational models of cognition, embodied cognition, the nature of perception, enactivism and the Bayesian brain hypothesis, intentionality, and the emotions.

Avaliação (na língua de ensino) | *Grading and Assessment (in language of instruction)*

Evaluation will be based on an essay of around 4500 words on a topic chosen by the student and 1-1 discussion of the essay with the professor. The final grade will be based on both the written work and the oral discussion.

Bibliografia (selection) | *Readings (selection)*

Readings will be provided for students via the Moodle platform. The following books are also useful:

Textbooks:

D. Braddon-Mitchell & F. Jackson (2007). *Philosophy of Mind & Cognition* 2nd ed. Blackwell.

Fodor, J. A. *Psychosemantics*. MIT Press 1987.

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Thagard, P. An Introduction to Cognitive Science 2nd ed. MIT Press 2005.

Anthologies:

Lycan, W. & Prinz, J. (eds.) Mind and Cognition: An Anthology 3rd ed. Wiley 2008.

D. Chalmers (ed.) (2002). Philosophy of Mind: Classical and Contemporary Readings. OUP.

Guttenplan, S. (1994). A Companion to the Philosophy of Mind. Oxford: Blackwell.