Title and Code of Course: **ERPB-BAAA 0010 History of Philosophy**

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Course Description:

The course wants to make the students acquainted with the bases of philosophical thinking by presenting a brief history of western philosophy.

Students are invited to participate in the courses, and possibly to read in advance the relevant texts required for each class.

There will be a verbal exam, where the emphasis will be on the students’ capability to reproduce and understand the most important trains of thoughts.

Bibliography:

Readings will be given to each class. Some of the more important ones are:

- Parmenides: Fragments 1-8 (possibly translation of John Burnet)
- Plato: The Republic, (end of Book 6 and beginning of Book 7): 507a-511e, 513a-521b
- St Augustine: Confessions, Book 9/Chapter 10; Book 10/Chapter 24-2
- Anzelm: Proslogion, Chapter 1-5
- Descartes: Meditations on the first philosophy, Preface and 1st Meditation
- Locke: Treatise concerning human understanding, 2nd Part I/1-10; Fourth Part 17/1-3,14-17; Fourth Part 18. Critique of the pure reason, Introduction to the second edition
- Nietzsche: Thus spoke Zarathustra, Prologue 1-5

From the secondary literature best for use is:

- Anthony Kenny: A brief history of western philosophy (several editions, also under the title: An illustrated brief history of western philosophy