

PHI 535: Philosophy of Mind: Recent work in Philosophy of Psychology

In this course, students will be introduced to a sampling of theoretical issues that arise in the context of scientific approaches to the mind. There is a special emphasis on cognitive psychology. The course has two parts. In the first part, students will be introduced to philosophy of psychology, by way of discussing current debates in cognition, perception, and emotion. These will include disputes about: the formation and revision of thought, the mechanisms of cognitive dissonance, the rationality of perception, and the regulation of emotion. In the second part, students will be introduced to several more specialized issues in the contemporary literature, to be drawn from topics such as: the psychology of blame, the psychology of disavowed prejudice, and the nature and rationality of dreaming.

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