

dipartimento di ricerca e innovazione umanistica

13CORSO DI STUDIO: L-5 Philosophy **ANNO ACCADEMICO:** 2023-2024

DENOMINAZIONE DELL'INSEGNAMENTO: Estetica/Aesthetics (9 cfu)

General information	
Year of the course	II year
Academic calendar (starting	First Semester (25.09.2023-13.12.2023)
and ending date)	
Credits (CFU/ETCS):	9
SSD	Aesthetics (M-FIL/04)
Language	Italian
Mode of attendance	Optional

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	piano
Virtual room	
Office Hours (and modalities:	Reception days and times will be communicated at the beginning of the
e.g., by appointment, on line,	course
etc.)	

Work schedule			
Hours			
Total	Lectures	Hands-on (laboratory, workshops, working groups, seminars, field trips)	Out-of-class study hours/ Self-study hours
225	63		162
CFU/ETCS			
9			

Learning Objectives	Knowledge and understanding Acquisition of basic knowledge of philosophical aesthetics and some of its founding themes
	Applied knowledge and understanding Acquisition of the ability to read and understand modern and contemporary philosophical texts; improvement and/or enhancement of the understanding of philosophical vocabulary.
	Autonomy of judgement Acquisition of the ability to trace the problematic nuclei that can emerge from philosophical texts and to place them in the history of thought.
	Communication skills Understanding of basic philosophical vocabulary and the main modes and



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	structures of argumentation.
	Learning skills Acquisition of the ability to identify new concepts, new methods and new content; ability to self-assess.
Course prerequisites	No

Teaching strategie	
Expected learning outcomes	
in terms of	
Knowledge and	 To acquire adequate knowledge of the texts and authors covered
understanding on:	 To understand the central concepts of philosophical aesthetics
	o To acquire the ability to orient oneself in modern and
	contemporary philosophical thought
Applying knowledge and	 To develop the ability to structure an adequate argumentation
understanding on:	 To acquire the ability to establish relationships between topics,
	concepts, and authors
	 To acquire the ability to understand philosophical texts
Soft skills	Making informed judgments and choices
	 To develop a personal and critical viewpoint on issues of
	history and theory of the discipline
	Communicating knowledge and understanding
	 To develop skills of analysis and exposition
	 To develop skills in drafting texts and reports on relevant
	topics
	Capacities to continue learning
	o To develop the ability to use one's knowledge to examine
	and evaluate problems related to the contemporary world
Syllabus	
Content knowledge	1) Theories of beauty from ancient times to present day
	During the lectures, the main theories of beauty will be reconstructed
	from Pythagoras, Plato and Aristotle up to the 21st century (Danto,
	Scruton, Han), via Kant and Hegel.
	2) The role of beauty in contemporary society
	The process of aesthetisation of the world has assigned beauty a
	centrality that Western societies had never experienced. We will focus in
	particular on these processes and on the ambiguous character of beauty
	in contemporary times.
Texts and readings	R. Bodei, Le forme del bello, il Mulino, Bologna 2017 (nuova ed.), pp. 232.
	R. Diodato, E. De Caro, G. Boffi (a cura di), Percorsi di estetica. Arte,
	bellezza, immaginazione, Morcelliana, Brescia 2020, pp. 488 (pp. 60-75;
	pp. 151-282).
	BC. Han, <i>La salvezza del bello</i> , Nottetempo, Milano 2019, pp. 112.
Notes, additional materials	Further guidance will be provided during the lessons
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Assessment	
Assessment methods	Assessment of learning will take place through an oral examination
	consisting of approximately 4-5 in-depth questions. The topic of the



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	initial question may be proposed by the student. The assessment will last approximately 20-30 minutes for each student.
Assessment criteria	 Knowledge and understanding The student must demonstrate that he/she has acquired adequate disciplinary knowledge Applying knowledge and understanding The student must demonstrate an adequate command of the content and authors covered in the course Autonomy of judgment The student must demonstrate the ability to formulate an original viewpoint on the philosophical issues addressed Communicating knowledge and understanding The student must be able to argue coherently and correctly Capacities to continue learning The student must demonstrate the ability to relate the topics studied to each other
Final exam and grading	The final grade is awarded in thirtieths. The examination is deemed
criteria	passed when the mark is greater than or equal to 18.
Further information	