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This module will explore certain topics in contemporary metaphysics. We will focus primarily on the contemporary literature and debates within the metaphysics literature. The precise topics under consideration are likely to vary from year to year, though will be announced in advance of the beginning of the academic year. Potential topics would include, universals, levels of being, dispositions, essentialism, causation, laws of nature, mental causation, truthmaking, grounding, metaontology, and naturalised metaphysics.

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## What will I learn?

<span class="subHeadCB">Learning Outcomes:</span>

he aim of this module is to provide students with subject specific knowledge and to equip them with the necessary skills for independent research. On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Critically discuss various central problems in metaphysics;

Engage with the contemporary literature within these topics;

Interpret, critically engage with complex topics and arguments;

Present ideas and arguments in a clear and rigorous way both orally and in writing;

Produce advanced levels of research (including identifying and using appropriate resources) through independent work with appropriate levels of guidance.

<span class="subHeadCB">Indicative Module Content:</span>

Universals Levels of being Dispositions Essentialism Causation Laws of nature Mental causation Truthmaking, grounding Metaontology Naturalised metaphysics.

# How will I learn?

<span class="subHeadCB">Student Effort Hours:</span>

Student	Hours
Effort Type	
Lectures	22
Project	4
Supervision	
Autonomous	174
Student	
Learning	
Total	200

## Am I eligible to take this module?

<div class="subHeadCB">Requirements, Exclusions and Recommendations</div>

Not applicable to this module.

<div class="subHeadCB">Module Requisites and Incompatibles</div>

Not applicable to this module.

## How will I be assessed?

<span class="subHeadCB">Assessment Strategy</span>

Description	Timing	Open Book	Component	Must Pass	% of Final
		Exam	Scale	Component	Grade
Essay: A critical study of themes from contemporary analytic metaphysics.	End of trimester MCQ	n/a	Graded	No	100

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<div class="col-sm-6"><span class="subHeadCB">Carry forward of passed components </span> No</div>

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### What happens if I fail?

Remediation	Remediation
Туре	Timing
In-Module	Prior to
Resit	relevant
	Programme
	Exam Board

### Assessment feedback

<div class="subHeadCB">Feedback Strategy/Strategies</div>

- \* Feedback individually to students, post-assessment

<div class="subHeadCB">How will my Feedback be Delivered?</div>Not yet recorded.

# **Reading List**

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<dt>Subject:</dt> <dd>Philosophy</dd> <dt>College:</dt> <dd>Social Sciences & Law</dd> <dt>School:</dt> <dd>Philosophy</dd> <dt>Level:</dt> <dd>4 (Masters)</dd> <dt>Credits:</dt>

<dt>Trimester:</dt> <dd>Autumn</dd> <dt>Module Coordinator:</dt> <dd>Professor Brian O'Connor</dd> <dt>Mode of Delivery:</dt> <dd>Face-to-Face</dd> <dt>Internship Module:</dt>

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