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Welcome

Introduction to Epistemology, Ethics and Mind  
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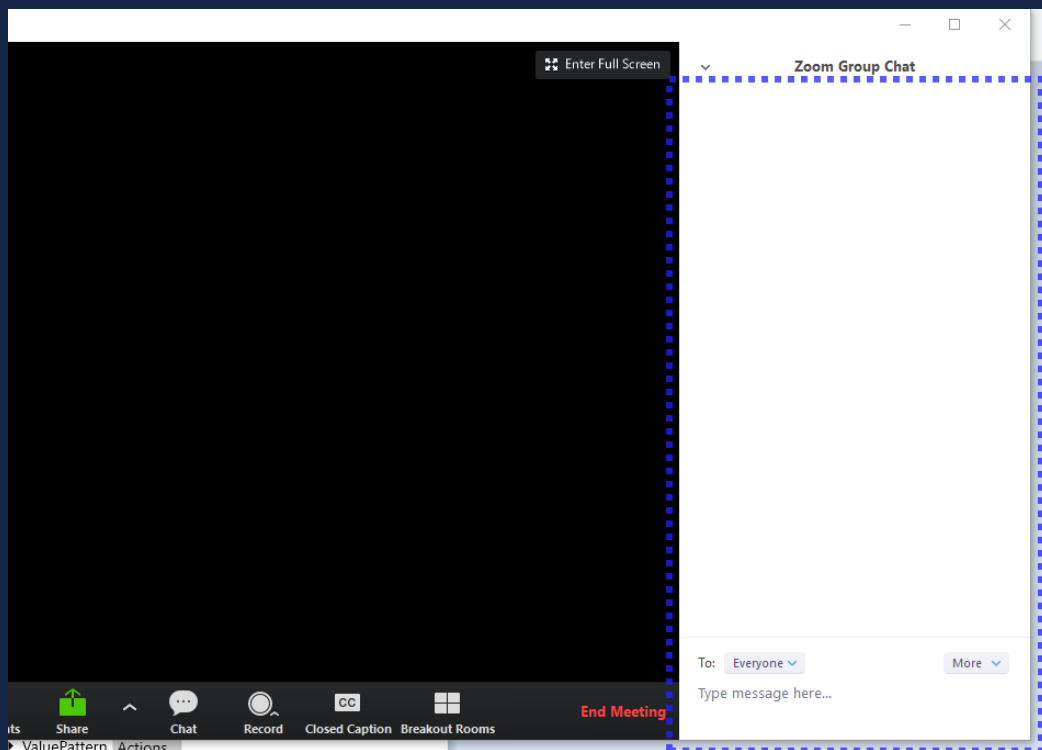
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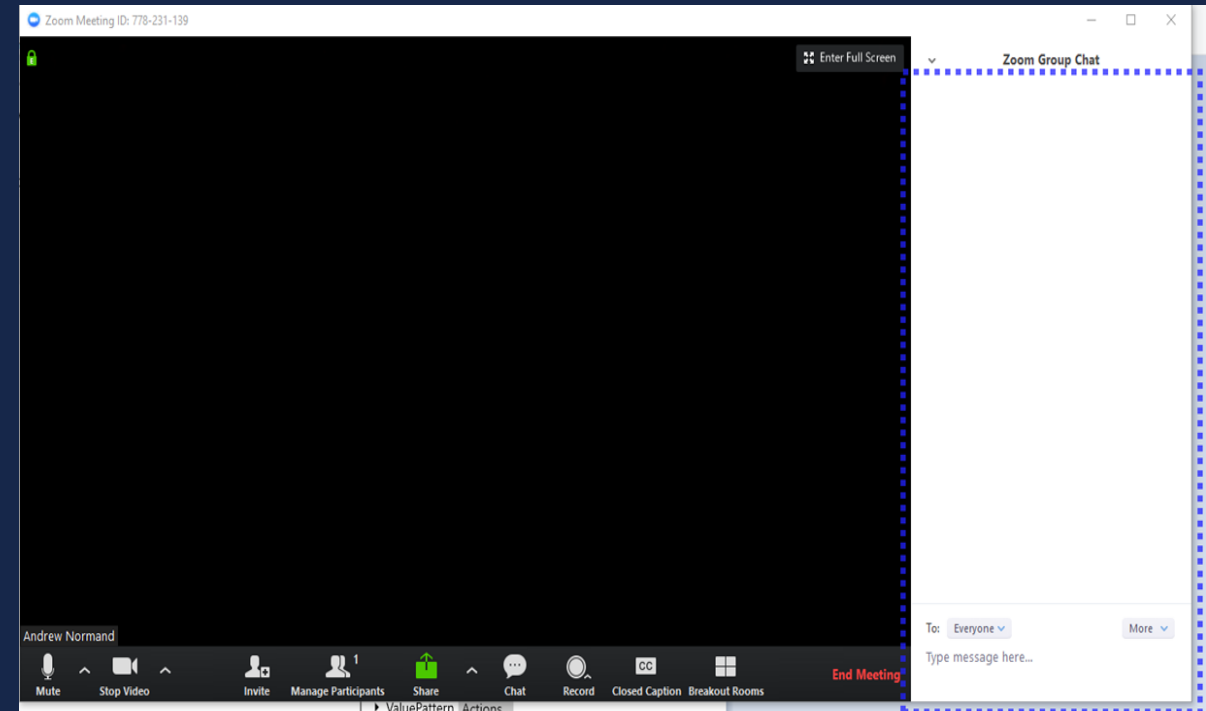


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## Philosophy at Edinburgh



- **World-leading research**

- We're ranked 7th in the UK and 21st in the world for philosophy (QS World University Rankings by subject 2023).



- **Specialised study options**

- Offers a broad range of study options, allowing students to tailor studies around their interests.



- **Large & interdisciplinary department**

- The Philosophy department at Edinburgh is one of the largest in the UK, bringing together 42 world-class researchers approaching the study of epistemology, ethics, logic and language, mind and cognition, religion and science, and the history of philosophy.





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## MSc Epistemology, Ethics & Mind

This online MSc in Epistemology, Ethics and Mind is a unique programme which provides a thorough grounding in contemporary philosophy, with a particular emphasis on those core research areas where Edinburgh has particular strengths: epistemology, ethics, and philosophy of mind and cognitive science.





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The programme reflects the internationally renowned research in philosophy that is conducted at the University of Edinburgh. No other research-intensive Department of Philosophy anywhere in the world runs an online MSc programme which is focused on these core areas of philosophy.

You will be able to choose from a range of option courses to tailor your programme to develop your own specialised interest, under the expert guidance of our distinguished academics.

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The online programmes offer three options depending on what best suits your needs:

- The MSc either full-time (one year) or part time (between two and four years). 180 credits.
- The Diploma either full-time (9 months) or part time (between two and four years). 120 credits.
- The Postgraduate Certificate part time (between one and two years). 60 credits.

Part-time students take a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 60 credits per semester.





# Learning Outcomes

- Provide students with a broad knowledge of contemporary philosophical work in epistemology, ethics, and philosophy of mind & cognitive science.
- Provide a basis for advanced research in philosophy, e.g. PhD. level.
- Provide a broad grounding in philosophical research methods.
- Develop analytic skills that can be applied to any field or career.



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## **MSc Epistemology, Ethics & Mind Courses**

**All students take the course:**

Phil Skills (Online) (0 credits)

**Optional courses include:**

- Philosophical methods
- Epistemology
- Advanced Epistemology
- Ethics
- Advanced Ethics
- Introduction to Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science
- Advanced Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science
- Philosophy, Science and Religion 1 & 2
- Philosophy of Science
- Philosophy of Religion
- Philosophy of Time Travel
- Islamic Philosophy (Online)

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# Programme structure - MSc

**Duration:**      **Full-time study: 1 year**  
                         Part-time study: 2 – 4 years

**Structure:**      120 credits taught courses (6 x 20 credit courses)  
                         60 credit independent dissertation



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# Programme dissertation

Dissertation (8,000 words, 60 credits):

- Involves conducting research into your chosen area of interest
- The dissertation is written once you have completed your 120 credits of taught courses. Full-time students write over the summer; part-time students can choose when to write their project, within a year of completing their taught courses.
- The dissertation is one of the key elements that potential PhD supervisors will evaluate.
- Several dissertations have led to publications







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# Programme structure – PG Diploma

Duration:	Full-time study: 9 months
	Part-time study: 2 – 4 years
Structure:	120 credits taught courses (6 x 20 credit courses)





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# Programme structure – PG Cert

Duration:	Full-time study: 9 months
	Part-time study: 2 years
Structure:	60 credits taught courses (3 x 20 credit courses)

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# Your Learning Resources

- All courses use the 'Learn' Virtual learning space
- Content delivery is via pre-recorded lectures
- Weekly discussion boards to question and analyse the reading with your peers
- Fortnightly live seminars with the lecturer (attendance is encouraged but not mandatory)
- Meetings each semester with the programme director, and regular one-to-one conference calls with your course organiser.

The screenshot displays the 'Philosophy Hub Page' with a sidebar menu on the left and a main content area. The sidebar includes links for Course Organiser's Handbook, Announcements, Programme Information (Degree structure, Handbooks, Assessment, People, Support, Etiquette), Around the programme (Socialising, Meet the team, Satellite Content), Induction (Pre-induction, Study skills, Induction week), Discussions and Journals (Live Common Room, Discussion Board, Personal Journal), Dissertations (Information, Resources, Supervisors, Submission), and Satellite content (Satellite content @, Old Satellite content @, Old News @). The main content area features a header with the text 'MSC/PG CERTIFICATE/PG DIPLOMA IN EPISTEMOLOGY ETHICS AND MIND' and an illustration of a classical building. Below this is an 'Announcements' section with a 'Create Announcement' button. The first announcement, titled 'Information on dissertation', is dated Friday, 19 February 2016 12:41:46 o'clock GMT and includes an illustration of a quill pen and books. The text of the announcement provides information about the dissertation process and encourages students to research potential supervisors. A second announcement, titled 'New Satellite Content page', is dated Friday, 19 February 2016 16:53:00 o'clock GMT and mentions a new website for satellite content.

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# Research Materials

- All readings are available online.
- A comprehensive range of journals are also available online.
- We have a dedicated programme librarian to help with access to resources, including arranging access to books not available online (e.g. for dissertation research).
- An extensive library of recorded research talks from visiting speakers to our department.



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# Hear from our current students

- Any questions about the student experience?





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# Applying to our programme

- PG Office Introduction
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- Questions?
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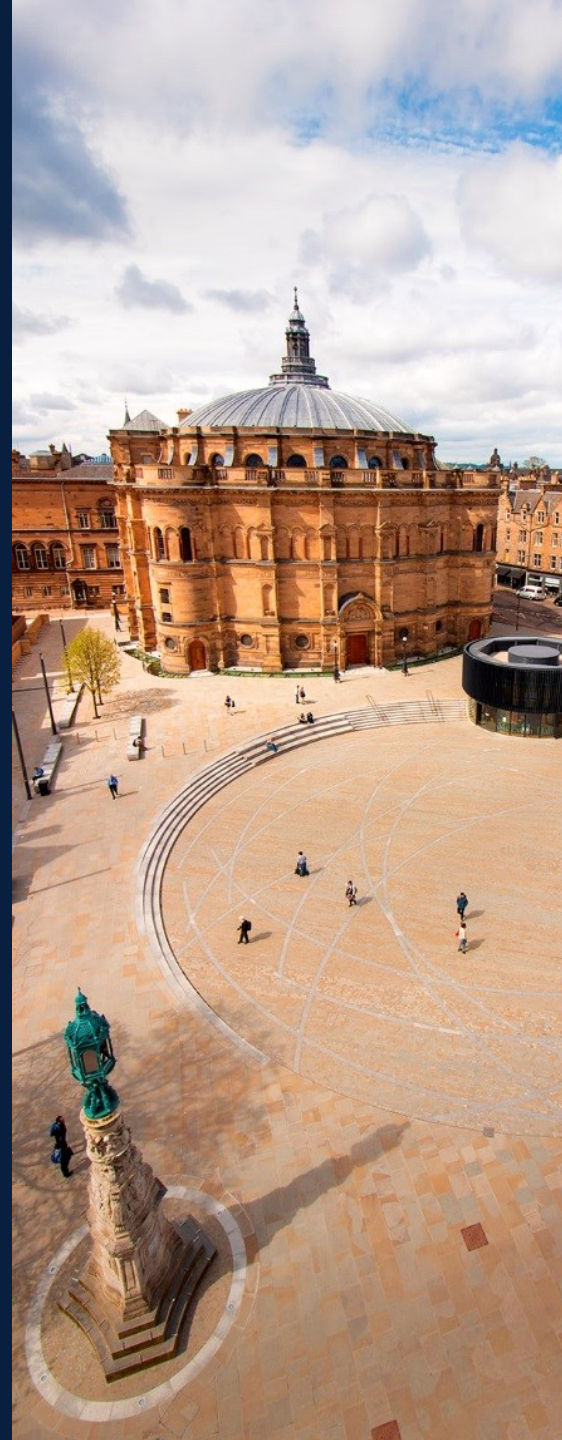
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