

UPF12541:: JUSTICE AND THE RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL

INSTITUTION: Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF)

PREREQUISITES: None

LANGUAGE: Spanish

CREDITS: 4

COURSE CONTENT:

1. Introduction: Law, morals and politics
 - 1.1. Ethics and metaethics.
 - 1.2. Justification of laws and concepts of legitimacy.
2. Utilitarianism
 - 2.1 A consequentialist conception.
 - 2.2 Maximizing utility.
 - 2.3 Utilitarianism and the economic analysis of law.
3. Contractualism (I). Justice as fairness.
 - 3.1 Justice and impartiality: The concept of John Rawls.
 - 3.2 Political Liberalism.
 - 3.3 Equality according to Ronald Dworkin.
4. Contractualism (II). Libertarianism.
 - 4.1 The conception of neutrality.
 - 4.2 Robert Nozick and the minimal state.
5. Analytical Marxism and the theory of justice.
 - 5.1 Marxism and justice.
 - 5.2 Exploitation, necessity and alienation.
6. The communitarian criticism.
 - 6.1 Neutrality and the concept of "good".
 - 6.2 Multiculturalism.
 - 6.3 The problem of nationalism.
7. Republicanism
 - 7.1 The precondition of the republican life.
 - 7.2 Republicanism, liberalism and communitarianism.
8. The feminist critiques
 - 8.1 Ethics to cure and ethics for justice.
 - 8.2 Equality of sexes and discrimination.
9. Final considerations.
 - 9.1 Rethinking neutrality.
 - 9.2 Autonomy and the concept of "good".

REQUIRED READING:

GARGARELLA, Roberto. *Las teorías de la justicia después de Rawls*. Barcelona: Paidós, 1999.

KYMLICKA, Will. *Filosofía política contemporánea. Una introducción*. Barcelona: Ariel, 1995.