

**HPS Graduate Courses**  
**Spring 2025 (Term 2254)**

**HPS 2000 Teaching Practicum (21562)**

**F 11:00-12:00**

**TBA**

No Course Description Available

**HPS 2102 History of Science Core (31387)**

**H 2:00-4:30**

**Marian Gilton**

No Course Description Available

**HPS 2124 Scholasticism (31388)**

**W 9:30-12:00**

**Paolo Palmieri**

This seminar explores the intellectual movement known as European Scholasticism, comparing and contrasting its nature with the debates it spawned. Scholasticism inherited ancient Greek philosophy and recast it in the framework of Christianity, shaping a worldview that laid the philosophical foundations of Western civilization. History and philosophy of science, analytic philosophy, and higher education institutions such as the university have their roots in Scholasticism, which spanned the late Middle Ages to the end of the seventeenth century. We will investigate the scholastic origins of fundamental philosophical categories such as method, reality, essence, science, causality, demonstration, substance, order, analysis and synthesis. We will play with AI to translate original texts never before available in English.

**HPS 2390 Topics in History and Philosophy of Neuroscience and Cognitive Science (32709)**

**Attention, Memory and Action**

**T 2:30 – 5:00**

**Wayne Wu**

The goal of this seminar is to build a comprehensive picture of human agency. Ok, that's a bit grandiose, so more modestly: we'll try to take a few steps in that direction. We will focus on the philosophy and cognitive science of action, attention, intention and memory. Special care will be taken to show how these are integrated. We will ponder some philosophical approaches to these phenomena and examine related controversies in psychology and neuroscience. Along the way, we will make the case that philosophy and

science can be mutually supporting and illuminating. The first class will be substantive, so please email the instructor for readings even if only auditing ([waynewu@pitt.edu](mailto:waynewu@pitt.edu)) or look at the draft syllabus: <https://bit.ly/WWWHPS2390S25>

**HPS 2422 Probability and Statistics (31389)**

**W 2:00-4:30**

**John Norton**

No Course Description Available

**HPS 2687 Epistemology of Experimental Practices (31390)**

**T 9:30-12:00**

**Sandra Mitchell**

No Course Description Available

**HPS 2785 Philosophy of Mind and Medicine (31391)**

**H 5:00-7:30**

**Jonathan Fuller**

In this seminar course, we will discuss problems in the philosophy of medicine having to do with medicine's understanding of the disordered mind or brain. Topics explored may include Alzheimer's disease, brain death, and the relationship between mental disorder and brain disorder.