

WEA Course information sheet 2020-21



**Adult Learning
Within Reach**

Course title: More Philosophy!		Course ID: C2422121
Start date: 15/01/2021	End date: 05/03/2021	Day(s)/time(s): Fri 10:00
Number of sessions: 7	Hours per session: 2	Tutor: David Brown
Additional hours:	Online Learning Hours: 0	
Specific funder/partner requirements: This course is free to adults that receive benefit.		
Awarding body (if any): Title of qualification to be gained:		Level: Level 2
Fee: £44.80 or Free if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) Accreditation Fee (if applicable):		
Venue: Online Learning, Online, ZZ99 9ZZ		
<p>Theme(s): The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision. Employability – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment Health and Wellbeing – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing Community Engagement – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities Culture – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Culture Education Community Engagement 		

<p>Course Aim The purpose of the course is to experience the pleasure of the philosophical quest and journey.</p>
<p>Course Description Philosophy is an area of enquiry that begins and continues by asking questions. Its ultimate aim is to shine a light on what we collectively call reality - the universe in which we live. The ages old question in Philosophy is "Does our life have any purpose"? This is just the first of thousands of questions that have led to people exploring what the answers might be. From these answers were born our modern sciences. This course explores the questions and answers of some Philosophers, but its main purpose is to encourage students to engage with philosophical questions and attempt, through class discussion, to explore possible answers. In this there are no right or wrong answers, just different ones!</p>
<p>Do I need any particular skills or experience?</p>
<p>What will I achieve? By the end of the course I will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with some of Xeno's paradoxes Engage in a discussion of the philosophy of moral tribes and the Commons Understand some of the philosophy and interplay between emotions and words, and words as genes/memes and the relationship to the social construction of reality

4. Engage in a discussion on existentialism and phenomenology and their possible description of reality

5. Explore some of the differences in understanding of the nature of the self via such as Buddhism, Judaism, Humanism, Spirituality.

What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?

- The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will be used to provide resources or to support lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>

- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?

- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion

- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning

- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions

What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?

- What you need: You will need an internet connection, speakers, a microphone and a webcam so that you can use our video learning platform, Zoom. If you'd like to understand more Zoom please visit: <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>

- You will need a personal email address to join the WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas so that you can receive resources, record your progress and achievement and to work with others and share ideas. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>

- It would be helpful if you had access to the internet (Mobile phone, tablet or computer at home or through a library etc.)

- Please bring pen and paper to each session.

Pre-course work, reading and information sources

- No pre reading is required but research on the subject on the internet or in the library may be helpful

Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)

- Progress to another WEA course

- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member

Learning with the WEA

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your

course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for most courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB
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