

University of London BA Philosophy

Course Schedule 2001-2

Course: Frege, Russell and Wittgenstein.

Convenor: J. L. Zalabardo

Intended audience: 2nd and 3rd Year

Undergraduates

Aims of Course:

The course contributes to the general aims and objectives of the Philosophy Department by enabling students to develop a critical understanding of the views of Frege, Russell and Wittgenstein.

Objectives:

Students will study for this course by means of tutorials, independent study and intercollegiate lectures. Students completing the course will:

- (a) Through attention to the primary texts come to a basic understanding of the thought and arguments of Frege, Russell and Wittgenstein.
- (b) Acquire an appreciation of how the problems under discussion were motivated for these thinkers.
- (c) Acquire an ability to relate the questions discussed to the work of philosophers studied on other papers.
- (d) Have been encouraged to read with great care and reflect upon some difficult texts, as well as introductory and secondary material, and to give some attention to questions of interpretation.
- (e) Answer questions in Finals on the central doctrines of these philosophers.

Number of Lectures: 20 in 2001-2, on Frege and Russell; 20 in 2002-2003, on Wittgenstein.

Semester 1

Lecturer Mark Kalderon (10 weeks)

Topic: Frege

The central philosophical doctrines of Frege

Semester 2

Lecturer: Keith Hossack (10 Weeks)

Topic: Russell

The central philosophical doctrines of Russell