

Berlin School of Mind and Brain

Teaching Weeks Spring 2010

Teaching Week 4:

Basic Philosophical Concepts and Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind

15 – 19 March 2010

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Location: Room 123, Luisenstraße 56, 10117 Berlin Mitte

Course Outline

	Mon 15 March	Tue 16 March	Wed	Thu 18 March	Fri 19 March	
9.15–10.45	Basic Philosophical Concepts	Dualism	no lectures	Functionalism, Computerfunctionalism	Representation	
Break						
11.00– 12.30	Truth & Knowledge	Epiphenomenalism			Multiple Realization, Supervenience	Self Consciousness
Break						
13.30–15.00	Arguments & Explanation	Eliminative and Semantical Materialism			Reduction, Reductive Explanation	Theory of Action; Freedom of Will
Break						
15.15–16.45	Introduction: Philosophy of Mind Concept of Consciousness	Identity Theory		Emergence, Explanatory Gap	After last session: Multiple Choice Test, 30 questions	

Keywords:

1. Monism
2. Dualism
3. Consciousness
4. Compatibilism
5. Emergence
6. Reduction
7. Epiphenomenalism
8. Identity Theory
9. Explanatory Gap Problem
10. Self, Self-Consciousness
11. Free Will
12. Knowledge

Reading Material:

Gerhard Ernst, Knowledge. Springer Encyclopedic reference of neuroscience.

Michael Esfeld, Explanation. Springer Encyclopedic reference of neuroscience.

E.J. Lowe, Dualism. Springer Encyclopedic reference of neuroscience.

Michael Pauen, Neurophilosophy. Springer Encyclopedic reference of neuroscience.

U.T. Place, Is Consciousness a Brain Process?