Bergamo/Pavia Masters seminars

May 29 - June 7 2024

"Epistemology and Mathematics", Module 2 00 The Basic A Priori — Logic and Arithmetic

SCHEDULE

Recommended pre-reading before seminars start: —Boghossian and Peacocke, Introduction; Casullo, "Four problems" All recommended pre-readings are in the online folder for the module

Handouts will be available at the seminars.

Session 1 May 29, 11.00-12.30 and 16.00-17.30 — Overview and the Problem of Characterisation; Quinean scepticism (Pre-reading: Quine, "Two Dogmas", Wright, "Inventing Logical Necessity" pp. 189-94)

Session 2 May 30, 14.00-15.30 and 16.30-18.00 — *Characterisation and Recent Scepticism* (1), Hawthorne (Pre-reading: Hawthorne, "A Priority and Externalism")

Session 3 May 31, 11-12.30 and 16.00 – 17.30 — *Characterisation and Recent Scepticism* (2), *Williamson* (Pre-reading: Williamson, "How Deep....?"

Session 4 June 3, 14.00-15.30 and 16.30- 18.00 — Further reflections on the stock characterisation of a priori justification as "justification independent of experience" (No pre-reading)

Session 5 June 5, 0900-10.30 and 16.00-17.30 — The basic a priori and the imagination; Non-Cognitivism and Wittgenstein (Pre reading: Wittgenstein Remarks on the Foundations of mathematics Part I §§25-32)

Session 6 June 7, 11.00-12.30 and 14.00-15.30 —On Our Knowledge of Basic Logical Truths (Pre-reading: Wright, "Logical Non-cognitivism")