

ICS Calendar Title: Body, Language, Power: the Question of the Human in 20th Century French Philosophy
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The goal of the course is to study significant accounts of the nature of human beings in 20th-century French continental philosophy. It will begin by investigating the existential-phenomenological conceptions of human nature developed by Jean-Paul Sartre and Maurice Merleau-Ponty. Persons, on such accounts, should be understood as being in the world, as embodied, as essentially defined by relations to others and relations of language, and as characterized by existential problems of anxiety and authenticity. We will then take up the development and transformation of this story in Gilles Deleuze, Felix Guattari, and Michel Foucault, who oppose to the humanist model of the well-formed and autonomous individual the model of persons as dispersed into networks of language and power.

Required Readings

Gilles Deleuze and Felix Guattari, [Anti-Oedipus](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: RC455 .D45 2009); KNOX: RC455 .D4213 2003
Michel Foucault, [Discipline and Punish](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: HV8666 .F6813 1995); ROBA HV8666 .F6813 1995X
Maurice Merleau-Ponty, [Phenomenology of Perception](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B829.5 .M413 1962a); Pratt Library: BD352 .M3813 2002
Jean-Paul Sartre, [Being and Nothingness](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B819 .S272 1956); Pratt Library: B819 .S272 1994

Recommended Readings

Alain Badiou, *Deleuze: The Clamor of Being* (ICS Library: ON ORDER); Pratt Library: B2430 .D454 B3513 2000
John D. Caputo (ed.), [Foucault and the Critique of Institutions: Modernity and its Discontents](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .F724 F684 1993); SMC Library: B2430 .F724 F684 1993
Joseph Catalano, *A Commentary on Jean-Paul Sartre's Being and Nothingness* ROBA: B2430 .S33 E834 1974
Adrienne Dengerink Chaplin, "Phenomenology: Merleau-Ponty and Sartre," in [The Routledge Companion to Aesthetics](#) p. 159-71 (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BH39 .R67 2005); ROBA BH21 .R68 2001
Fred Dallmayr, [Twilight of Subjectivity](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: HM136 .D3); ROBA: HM136 .D27

Gilles Deleuze, [*Difference and Repetition*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D453 D4513 1993); KNOX B2430 .D453 D4513 1994

_____, [*A Thousand Plateaus*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: RC455 .D4213 1987); Pratt Library: B77 .D413 2004

Simone de Beauvoir, [*Ethics of Ambiguity*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BJ1063 .B383 1976); ROBA: BJ1063 .B383 1976

Miguel de Beistegui, [*Truth and Genesis: Philosophy as Differential Ontology*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BD311 .B45 2004); ROBA: BD311 .B45 2004X

Constantin Boundas (ed.), [*Deleuze and Philosophy*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D454 D449 2006); ROBA: B2430 .D454 D449 2006

Mary Bryden, [*Deleuze and Religion*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D454 D457 2001); ROBA: B2430 .D454 D457 2001

Thomas Flynn, *Sartre, Foucault, and Historical Reason* TRIN: D16.8 .F628 1997 v.1-2

Veronique Foti (ed.), *Merleau-Ponty: Difference, Materiality, Painting* ROBA: B2430 .M3764 M4684 1996X

Michel Foucault, [*Archaeology of Knowledge*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: AZ101 .F6813); KNOX B2430 .F723 A7313 2002

_____, [*History of Sexuality*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: HQ12 .F6813 v.1-3); ROBA HQ12 .F6813 1990 v.1-3

_____, [*Madness and Civilization*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: RC438 .F613 1988) ; Pratt Library: RC438 .F613 1988

_____, [*The Order of Things*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: AZ101 .F6913 1994); KNOX: AZ101 .F6913 2005

Gary Gutting (ed.), [*The Cambridge Companion to Foucault*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .F724 .C36 2005); ROBA: B2430 .F724 .C36 2005

Martin Heidegger, [*Being and Time*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B3279 .H48 S413 1996); SMC: B3279 .H48 S43 1996

_____, [*Basic Writings*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B3279 .H47 E5 2008); ROBA: B3279 .H47 E5 1992

David Hoy (ed.), *Foucault: a Critical Reader* ROBA: B2430 .F24 F68 1986

Galen A. Johnson and Michael B. Smith, [*Ontology and Alterity in Merleau-Ponty*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .M38 O67 1990); ROBA: B2430 .M38 O67 1990

Kearney, Richard, [*Modern Movements in European Philosophy*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B804 .K37 1994); ROBA: B804 .K37 1994X

Jay Lampert, *Deleuze and Guattari's Philosophy of History* (I.L.L. request – not in UTL system)

John Macquarrie, *Existentialism* SMC: B819 .M2

Brian Massumi, *A User's Guide to Capitalism and Schizophrenia* KNOX: RC455 .M279 1992

Todd May, [*Gilles Deleuze: An Introduction*](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D454 M39 2005); ROBA: B2430 .D454 M39 2005

William L. McBride, *Sartre's Political Theory* ROBA: JC261 .S372 M35 1991

_____, *Sartre and Existentialism* (ed.) (in UTL system under various section titles)

Maurice Merleau-Ponty, *Humanism and Terror*, "The Child's Relations With Others" in [The Primacy of Perception](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .M378 E5 1964); ROBA: B2430 .M378 E5 1964
_____ *The Visible and the Invisible* ROBA: B2430 .M379 V513

Dorothea Olkowski, [The Universal \(In the Realm of the Sensible\): Beyond Continental Philosophy](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BD311 .O55a 2007); ROBA: BD311 .O55 2007

James H. Olthuis (ed.), [Towards an Ethics of Community](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BD394 .T68 2000); ROBA: BD394 .T682 2000

Paul Patton (ed.), [Deleuze: A Critical Reader](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D454 D395 1996); ROBA: B2430 .D454 D395 1996X

John Sallis, [Phenomenology and the Return to Beginnings](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B829.3 .S23); ROBA: B8295 .S23
_____ *Merleau-Ponty: Perception, Structure, Language* (ed.) Pratt Library: B2430 .M3764 M47

Jean-Paul Sartre, *Critique of Dialectical Reason* ROBA: B2430 .S33 C713 2004 v.1
_____ *Existentialism is a Humanism* TRIN: B819 .S3213 2007

James K. A. Smith, [Who's Afraid of Postmodernism?: Taking Derrida, Lyotard, And Foucault to Church](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: BR115 .P74 S66 2006); KNOX: BR115 .P74 S66 2006

Gianni Vattimo, [The Adventure of Difference: Philosophy after Nietzsche and Heidegger](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B3654 .V383 A9813 1993); ROBA: B3654 .V383 A9813 1993

R. Zaner, *The Problem of Embodiment* ROBA: B829.5 .Z35 1971

Slavoj Zizek, [Organs Without Bodies: On Deleuze and Consequences](#) (ICS Library Reserve Shelf: B2430 .D454 Z59 2004); ROBA: B2430 .D454 Z59 2004X