

Mind Comprehensive Examination Reading List

The University of Western Ontario Department of Philosophy

Required readings for All Candidates

Metaphysics of Mind

- Block, N. (1978). "Troubles with functionalism" [C], [O&R], [L&P]
Broad, C. D. (1925/2002). "Mechanism and its alternatives" (excerpt). [C]
Davidson, D. (1970). "Mental events" [C], [L&P]
Descartes, R. (1647) *Meditations on First Philosophy* (II and VI) [C]
Fodor, J.A. (1974). "Special sciences" [C]
Kim, J. (1992). "Multiple realization and the metaphysics of reduction" [C], [H], [O&R]
Kripke, S. (1980/2002). *Naming and Necessity* (excerpt). [C], [O&R]
Lewis, D. (1966). "An argument for the Identity Theory" [H]
Lewis, D. (1972). "Psychophysical and theoretical identifications" [C]
McGinn, C. (1989). "Can we solve the mind-body problem?" [C], [O&R]
Place, U. T. (1956). "Is consciousness a brain process?" [C], [L&P]
Putnam, H. (1963). "Brains and behavior" [C], [H]
Putnam, H. (1967). "The nature of mental states" [C], [O&R], [L&P]
Ryle, G. (1949/2002). "Descartes' myth" [C]
Searle, J.R. (1980). "Minds, brains and programs" [H], [O&R]
Smart, J. J. C. (1959). "Sensations and brain processes" [C], [H], [O&R]

Consciousness

- Block, N. (2002). "Concepts of consciousness" [C]
Chalmers, D. (1995). "Facing up to the problem of consciousness" [H]
Chalmers, D. (2002). "Consciousness and its place in nature" [C]
Dretske, F. (1993). "Conscious experience" [C]
Harman, G. (1990). "The intrinsic quality of experience" [H], [O&R]
Jackson, F. (1982). "Epiphenomenal qualia" [C], [H]
Kind, A. (2010). "Transparency and representational theories of consciousness".
Philosophy Compass 5(10):902-913.
Levine, J. (1983). "Materialism and qualia: The explanatory gap" [C], [H], [O&R]
Lewis, D. (1990). "What experience teaches" [C], [L&P], [O&R]
Loar, B. (2002). "Phenomenal states" (second version) [C]
Nagel, T. (1974). "What is it like to be a bat?" [C], [H]
Rosenthal, D. (2002). "Explaining Consciousness" [C]

Intentionality

- Burge, T. (1979). "Individualism and the Mental" [C], [H]
Churchland, P.M. (1981). "Eliminative materialism and the propositional attitudes" [H], [O&R], [L&P]
Dennett, D.C. (1975). "Three kinds of intentional psychology" [H]
Fodor, J.A. (1990). "A theory of content, II: The theory". In his *A Theory of Content*. Cambridge, MA.: MIT Press, pp. 89-136.

Horgan, T.E. & J.L. Tienson (2002). "The intentionality of phenomenology and the phenomenology of intentionality" [C]

Millikan, R.G. (2009). "Biosemantics" [C]

Putnam, H. (1975/2002). "The meaning of 'meaning'" [C]

Sellars, W. (1956). *Empiricism and the Philosophy of Mind*

Additional Readings

Kim, J. (2010). *Philosophy of Mind* (third edition). Westview Press.

Braddon-Mitchell, D. and F. Jackson (2006). *Philosophy of Mind and Cognition: An Introduction* (second edition). Wiley-Blackwell.

Morton, P.A. (2010). *A Historical Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind* (second edition). Broadview Press.

C = David J. Chalmers (ed.)(2002), *Philosophy of Mind: Classical and Contemporary Readings*. Oxford University Press.

H = J. Heil (ed.)(2004) *Philosophy of Mind: A Guide and Anthology*. Oxford.

L&C = W.G. Lycan & J.J Prinz (eds.)(2008). *Mind and Cognition: An Anthology*. 3rd Edition. Wiley

O&R = T. O'Connor & D. Robb (eds.)(2003) *Philosophy of Mind: Contemporary Readings*. Routledge.