Autumn 2022 FIL 217 / FIL 317: Wittgenstein Studies
Thursdays 10:15-12:00, SPL, room 210

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❖ General course descriptions and reading list:
  • http://www.uib.no/en/course/FIL217
  • http://www.uib.no/en/course/FIL317
❖ Requirements:
  • Passing grade for test paper
  • Passing grade for assignment paper
    (deadline for submission of assignment paper 21.11.2022)

1) Week 34-SS: Introduction to the course; Background of the Tractatus in Frege and Russell
   [Child ch. 2-3]
2) Week 35-SS: Background of the Tractatus in Frege and Russell (cont.); Logic; The picture theory
   [Child ch. 2-3]
3) Week 36-AP: The elementary proposition; The molecular proposition; Truth functions;
   The colour exclusion problem; Nonsense and other problems with the Tractatus
   [Child ch. 2-3]
4) Week 37-AP: Wittgenstein: Nachlass and works [Kenny 2006, Schulte 2006]; From the
   Tractatus to the later philosophy; The Investigations read in contrast to and in the light of
   the Tractatus; Acting [Child ch. 4-5]
5) Week 38-AP: Language game; Language game method; Form of life; Mistakes of the
   “Augustinian picture”; Family resemblance [Child ch. 4-5]
6) Week 39-AP: Übersichtliche Darstellung; Grammar; Rules and Rule-following
   [Child ch. 4-5]
7) Week 40-SS: The private language argument [Child ch. 6]
8) Week 42-SS: The Investigations: Privacy [Child ch. 6]
9) Week 43-SS: Privacy (cont.); Philosophy of mathematics [Säätelä 2011]
10) Week 44-AP: Certainty; Cultural relativism?; Philosophy [Child ch. 7, Glock 1991, Stern
    2006]
References: