

<b>Course title:</b> Philosophy of Science		<b>Doctoral School of Chemistry and Environmental Sciences</b>
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<b>Contact hours:</b> 20	<b>Exam:</b> Written (short essays)	<b>Credit:</b> 5
<b>Aims:</b> Characterize historical and conceptual foundations of Philosophy of Science, placing of the topic in the disciplinary matrix.		
<b>Thematics:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>A. General questions of science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>A1. Scientific method and explanation</i></li> <li><i>A2. Progress in science</i></li> <li><i>A3. Individual and social knowledge</i></li> </ul> </li>   <li><i>B. Theories of scientific theories</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>B1. Positivism and neo-positivism</i></li> <li><i>B2. The deductive-nomological model</i></li> <li><i>B3. Fallibilism</i></li> <li><i>B4. Realism and its alternatives</i></li> </ul> </li>   <li><i>C. Fundamental questions of science</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>C1. Theory and observation</i></li> <li><i>C2. Natural kinds</i></li> <li><i>C3. Natural laws</i></li> <li><i>C4. Causal explanations</i></li> <li><i>C5. Reductionism</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<b>Suggested textbooks:</b> <p>Szegedi, P. and Forrai, G. (ed.) 1999: Tudományfilozófia, szöveggyűjtemény, Áron Kiadó, Budapest.  <a href="https://regi.tankonyvtar.hu/hu/tartalom/tamop425/2011_0001_537_Tudomanyfilozofia/index.html">https://regi.tankonyvtar.hu/hu/tartalom/tamop425/2011_0001_537_Tudomanyfilozofia/index.html</a></p> <p>Laki János (ed.) 1998: Tudományfilozófia, Osiris, Budapest.</p>		
<b>Student's role:</b>		