

## IDEAS THAT SHAPE THE WORLD

### Objetivo

The main objective of this course is to introduce and discuss key philosophical ideas that have shaped the western world.

### Contenido

1. Socrates: The life worth living
2. Plato: A world of shadows
3. Aristotle: The world around us
4. St. Augustine: Evil in the world
5. Pascal: Imagination
6. Bacon: Knowledge
7. Descartes: I think therefore I am
8. Machiavelli: The end justifies the means
9. Spinoza: God is the cause
10. Leibniz : Types of truths
11. Hobbes: Man is a machine
12. Locke: Experience
13. Berkley: To be tis to be perceived
14. Kant: Two worlds

### Metodología

The class is designed as a seminar. In it we will discuss basic philosophical ideas that play a role in our everyday lives and that shape our worlds. Participants are expected to come to seminar and participate actively in the reading of a text and then in a class discussion. Class discussions may be preceded by a brief writing exercise to organized ideas and concepts. In some occasions brief videos will also be included to motivate further discussion.