

Home exam FIL2105 – Metaphysics/Philosophy of Mind, Consciousness
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The length of the essay should be 7-9 pages à 2300 characters, not including literature list and footnotes. You ought to use Times New Roman, size 12 or something similar. Don't forget to cite and include a bibliography of any articles or sources that you discuss.

You may write in English or in Norwegian as you prefer.

Please submit your essay in the Examination folder in Fronter by **11:00 am on June 1st. 2017**. Do not use your name, but your candidate number.

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http://www.hf.uio.no/ifikk/english/studies/resources/submitting/submitting_fronter.html

Choose *one* of the following essay topics:

1. What is the hard problem of consciousness? Choose either the knowledge argument or the zombie argument (not both) and discuss whether this argument shows that the problem cannot be solved?
2. Explain the notion of an explanatory gap. Discuss attempts to overcome the gap and assess how successful they are.
3. Set out some arguments for and against Higher Order Thought (HOT) theory of consciousness? Do you think HOT gives a better explanation of consciousness than Higher Order Perception theory? Justify your answer.