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**METHODOLOGICAL RECOMMENDATIONS  
FOR PERFORMING INDEPENDENT WORK  
BY DISCIPLINE “PHILOSOPHY”**

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Methodical recommendations for the 2nd year students of the Dentistry faculty are designed to concretize and facilitate independent and extracurricular work of students.

The main program sections of the course, planning questions, a list of additional literature are present. Such content will allow students to study and master the content of the main problems of the discipline with minimal efforts and greater productivity.



Theme 1. Philosophy, its subject and role in human life and society. The specific place of philosophy in culture.

Questions:

1. Historical types of worldview.
2. The specific nature of philosophical cognition.
3. The specific place of philosophy in culture. Functions of philosophy

Recommended literature

Main:

1. U. M. Khrustalev Philosophy: Textbook. M.: GEOTAR-Media, 2-nd. revised and supplemented, 2015. – 640 p.
2. V. D. Gubin Philosophy: Textbook. M.: GEOTAR-Media, 6-th. revised and supplemented, 2017. – 845 p.
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Additional:

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Control questions:

1. What is the difference between Philosophy and Worldview?
2. What are the basics of a mythological worldview?
4. What are the basics of religion?
5. What is the content of the basic question of philosophy?
6. How do you understand the subjective and objective idealism?
7. What are the main structure elements in Philosophy?
8. What is the difference between dialectics and metaphysics?

Thesis topics:

1. Myth as a type of worldview.
2. Religion as a type of worldview.
4. Scientific type of worldview.
5. The basic question of philosophy.

Theme 2. Ancient philosophy (6<sup>th</sup> century BC-5<sup>th</sup> century).

1. The Pre-Socratic Philosophy.
3. Classical Philosophy.
4. The Hellenistic school of thought.

Recommended literature

Main:

1. G. B. Tuskaeva History of Philosophy (From Ancient Times to the Renaissance) for foreign students of Medical faculty: manual / North - Ossetian State Medical Academy -Vladikavkaz. - 2017. – 32p.
2. U. M. Khrustalev Philosophy: Textbook. M.: GEOTAR-Media, 2-nd. revised and supplemented, 2015. – 640 p.
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Control questions:

1. What was the main feature of the Pre-Socratic philosophy?
2. What does Cosmos mean to the Ancient Greek philosophers?
3. What was common in the philosophy of Thales, Anaximander and Anaximenes?
4. What was Atom of Democritus?
5. Who argues that all is flux, and asks whether we can step in the same river twice?
6. Parmenides denied the reality of movement, change, and multiplicity. By what method did he reach these counter-intuitive conclusions?
7. What was the main feature of the-Classical Philosophy?
8. What was Socrates' principal contribution to the history of philosophy?
9. What was Plato's principal contribution to the history of philosophy?
10. What was Aristotle's principal contribution to the history of philosophy?

Theme 3. Medieval Philosophy

1. Philosophy and Theology in the Middle ages.
2. Patristic philosophy. St. Augustine's thoughts.
3. The problem of the relation of faith and reason in scholasticism. St. Thomas Aquinas' Philosophy.

Thesis topics:

1. The meaning and significance of proofs of God's existence in medieval philosophy.
2. Avicennism: reconcile Aristotelianism and neo-platonism with Islamic theology.
3. Averroism and the theory of "double truth".
4. Medicine of Medieval ages.

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Control questions:

1. How did the connection between faith and reason develop during the Middle Ages? What brought them together? What caused their separation? What happened to philosophy when they worked closely together, and when they separated?
2. What is Scholasticism and how did it arise in the history of philosophy? Explain the Scholastic method of inquiry.
3. What was Aquinas's principal contributions to the history of philosophy?
4. Viewing the medieval period within the larger context of the history of philosophy, would you say that the controversies and rivalries that frequently agitated intellectual life in the Middle Ages did more to advance or to retard philosophical development?

Theme 4. Philosophy of the Renaissance

1. Philosophy of the Renaissance: anthropocentrism, humanism, pantheism.
2. Humanism as a revival of ancient culture in the individualistic spirit.
3. Philosophy of nature.
4. Political and utopian thoughts in the culture of the Renaissance.
5. The Reformation: causes, content and nature.

Thesis topics:

1. The Era of Renaissance.
2. The Great geographical discoveries.
2. Renaissance Art and Music.
3. Renaissance science.
4. Martin Luther.

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Control questions:

1. What are the main features of the Renaissance worldview?
2. What is the Humanism of the Renaissance?
3. Explain the concept of pantheism?
4. Who is considered as the last poet of Middle ages and the first poet of the Renaissance?
5. What is the main idea of the Heliocentric theory?

Theme 5. The New Time philosophy.

1. Historical conditions of the new time philosophy.
2. The problem of the method: rationalistic doctrine and deductive method.
3. Empiricism and sensualism as principles of human understanding.
4. The doctrine of Hobbes on state.
5. Deistic orientation of the French Enlightenment and the formulation of the problem of man.
6. The ideal of "naturalness" J.-J. Russo in the context of his critique of culture and civilization.
7. French materialism of the 18th century.
8. Socialist and utopian theories of the French Enlightenment.

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Thesis topics:

1. Influence of scholastic ideas on the outlook of the new time.
2. The problem of human being in philosophy of the new time.
3. The method of knowledge in the new time philosophy.
4. Social contract theory by Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau.

Control questions:

1. What are the historical conditions of the new time philosophy?
2. What is empiricism?
3. What is rationalism?
4. What is Enlightenment?
5. What is Deism?
6. Give an explanation to the French materialism?
7. What are the main attributes of matter and spirit according to Descartes?
8. What are the main attributes of matter according to French materialists?

Theme 6. German classical philosophy

1. Features of formation and distinctive features of German classical philosophy
2. The Philosophy Of Immanuel Kant
3. Objective idealism of G. Hegel
4. Anthropological materialism of L. Feuerbach

Key words: dialectics, objective idealism, subjective idealism, "a posterior" knowledge, "apriori" knowledge, thing in itself, antinomy, categorical imperative, "the absolute idea", alienation, epistemological optimism

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Thesis topics:

1. Kantian ethics.
2. Subjective idealism of Fichte.
3. Objective idealism of Schelling.
4. Anthropological materialism.

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Control questions:

1. The historical conditions and specific characteristic of German classical philosophy.
2. What is the contribution of Kant's ethics and epistemology in philosophy?
3. What is the contribution of Hegel in dialectics?
4. What is the contribution of Feuerbach in materialism?

Theme 7. Marxist philosophy

1. The historical conditions of the formation of Marxism
2. The principle of dialectical-materialist monism worldview on nature, society, man.
3. Historical materialism.

Key words: dialectical materialism, three laws of dialectics, historical materialism, production relations, productive forces, types or modes of production, the basic question of philosophy.

Thesis topics:

1. Dialectics as a doctrine of philosophy and knowledge.
2. The types or modes of production.
3. Marxism and medicine.

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Control questions:

1. What are the theoretical bases of formation of Marxism?
2. What are the main parts of Marxism?
3. What are the bases of Historical materialism?
4. What are the bases of dialectical materialism?

Theme 8. Irrationality and the Philosophy of Psychoanalysis. Existentialism.

1. General characteristics of the philosophy of irrationalism. The main representatives of the philosophy of irrationalism.
2. General characteristics of existentialism. S. Kierkegaard and the beginning of existentialism.
3. Psychoanalysis.

Thesis topics:

1. Western philosophy: The existentialism of Jaspers and Sartre
2. Nature of Existentialist Thought and Manner

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Theme 9. Russian philosophy.

1. General characteristics of the Russian philosophy
2. The formation of Russian philosophy.
3. Russian philosophy of the 19th century.

Thesis topics:

1. Lomonosov's scientific materialism.
2. Solovyov's philosophy of all-unity.
3. Tolstoy L.N.
4. Dostoevsky F.M.

Recommended

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PART 2

### **Theme 1. The concept of being**

1. Being as a specific philosophical category.
2. The concept of matter.
3. The universal attributes of matter.

Key words: ontology, being, substance, category, matter, motion, space, time, self-organization, idealism, materialism

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8. Хрусталеv Ю.М. Философия. Учебник. М.2015

### **Theme 2. Consciousness as the highest level of reflection of reality.**

1. Reflection as the general property of Matter.
2. The development of Reflection.
3. Consciousness as the highest form of reality Reflection.
4. Social Being and Social Consciousness.

Key words: reflection, Irritability, sensitivity, psyche, speech, labor, society, mental process, abstract thinking

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### **Theme 3. Epistemology. The theory of cognition.**

1. Cognition as an object of philosophical analysis.
2. Subject and object of cognition.
3. Levels of cognition, their dialectical correlation.
4. The concept of truth.
5. Practice as a criterion of truth.

Key words: Epistemology, subject, object, sensuality, rationality, practice, truth

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### **Theme 4. The problem of human nature in philosophy. Man in the world of culture.**

1. The main theories of human nature.
2. Anthroposociogenesis and its complex nature.
3. The unity of man and society.
4. The meaning of life, death and immortality
5. The main subsystems of society.

Key words: Homo Dei, Homo Sapiens, antroposociogenesis, labor, speech, society, meaning of life, individuality, personality

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### **Theme 5.Social Philosophy.**

1. The term society.
2. Spheres of social life.
3. Forms and levels of social consciousness.

Key words: society, economic sphere, political sphere, social sphere, spiritual sphere, social consciousness

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### **Theme 6. Philosophical concepts of social development (Philosophy of history)**

1. Philosophical concepts of historical process.
2. The theory of Social Economic Formations.
3. Civilizational approach.
4. Modern periodization of history.

Key words: history, philosophy of history, Social Economic Formations, Primitive society, slaveholding society, feudalism, capitalism, communism, productive forces, basis, superstructure, civilization

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