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### **DISCIPLINARY LABORATORY**

TITLE: Social objects: John Dewey's pragmatist approach

INSTRUCTOR: Italo Testa, Teresa Roversi

**CFU**: 1

SHORT DESCRIPTION:

The course comprises of two seminars, each dedicated to the discussion of a text by John Dewey: "Nature, Communication and Meaning" (Chapter 5 of "Experience and nature" [1925]), and "The Historic Background of Corporate Legal Personality" (1926). The texts are part of Dewey's mature reflection on social meanings and objects, concerning in particular how they come to be constituted and negotiated within an interactionist and practice-based approach.

The texts are to be read in advance; they can be easily found online or be requested by sending an email to Teresa Roversi. The course will be in English.

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### **CALENDAR**:

Aula Frege, DUSIC Department, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

November 20, h. 15-18, "Nature, Communication, and Meaning"

November 27, h. 15-18, "The Historic Background of Corporate Legal Personality"

### SUGGESTED READINGS

- "Nature, Communication and Meaning" (Chapter 5 of "Experience and nature" [1925, Later Works 1])
- "The Historic Background of Corporate Legal Personality" (1926, Later Works 2)