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Podcast Philosophy

Podcasts have been taken up for various uses in philosophy. Departments use them for publicity; lecture courses and special events are made available to a global audience using this recent distribution mechanism. An increasing number of individual scholars have set up audio or video podcast sites exploring the possibilities provided by the medium.

Comparatively little effort has been spent in utilizing podcasts in university teaching. A seminar conducted at the Department of Philosophy at Vienna University has been dedicated to let students produce podcasts dealing with philosophical issues. Rather than use digital networked media to transport theoretical content, an attempt was made to treat sound, images, moving pictures and the written word as co-equal means of expression in presenting and developing a point of view or a discursive agenda.

The results of the 2013/14 seminar are available at http://podcasts.philo.at and will be discussed in the planned talk.

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