

Juryens konklusjon for filosofi-NM 2014.

På vegne av medaljekomiteen ved Post.doc. Anders Strand & professor Bjørn Torgrim Ramberg, IFIKK/CSMN, Universitetet i Oslo

Elev-identifikasjonen (som var ukjent for medaljefjuryen):

#24	Bernt Johan Damslora, Kristelig Gymnasium (Oslo)
#20	Kristin Nesse Thue, Foss (Oslo)
#5	Øyvind J. V. Evenstad, Kongsbakken (Tromsø)
#26	Elling Fossheim Asplin, Lillehammer
#3	Katinka Salomonsen Grane, Elvebakken (Oslo)

Delt førsteplass:

Essay # 24: This creative and insightful discussion of the relation between science and philosophy shows philosophical sophistication, distinguishing between different kinds of dependence relations. By considering the question from different points of view, it brings to bear a range of relevant considerations in a clear and economical way.

Essay # 20: Taking Hobbes straight on, this short, well-composed essay is thoughtful, and intellectually mature. It clearly expresses the relevance of empirical knowledge of human psychology and sociality for political philosophy.

Delt tredjeplass:

Essay # 5: This essay provides an intelligent and lively meta-philosophical discussion of the paradoxes of scientism, though it might have gained from greater sensitivity to alternative view points.

Essay #26: This is an engaged and engaging essay on Hobbes, addressing with flair the central issue of the nature of human moral motivation and the conditions for living a life of conscience. Several different arguments against Hobbes are broached, but not always clearly distinguished.

Femteplass:

Essay #3: The essay takes on a famous dictum of Heraclitus, quickly moving into exceedingly difficult philosophical terrain. The essay is ambitious and manages to pursue a relevant line of argument, though the steps along the way are not always entirely clear.