



Report on the part of the final state examination Record of the thesis defence

Academic year: 2023/2024

Student's name and surname: Iris Arsikj
Student's ID: 72150061

Type of the study programme: Bachelor's
Study programme: Politics, Philosophy and Economics
Study ID: 678773

Title of the thesis: The Sartrean Political Perspective and Successive Existentialist Conceptual Application
Thesis department: Department of Political Science (23-KP)
Language of the thesis: English
Language of defence: English
Advisor: Mgr. Tomáš Halamka, Ph.D.
Reviewer(s): Mgr. Jakub Franěk, Ph.D.
Date of defence: 05.09.2024 **Venue of defence:** Praha
Attempt: regular

Course of the examination: Student presented research question of thesis, and conclusion that individualism is important, but nuanced, depends on how much emphasis placed on individual responsibility, and whether it matters. Student presented biography of Sartre, and theory of Sartre in his works that were discussed in thesis. Committee mentioned that Marcuse would not agree with characterisation of being cogs in machine, point that Sartre too subjectivistic. Student mentioned Sartre's development of existentialist interpretation of Marxism. Committee asked about conclusions of thesis. Student mentioned that Chomsky agrees with Sartre, echoes with Foucault, individualism is important, creating own meaning is important, agree with Petit, is justice influenced by external factors, yes by absurdity of life, culture, institutions. Student used Chomsky as supplement, because Chomsky echoes Sartre. Student mentioned that Chomsky adds contextualisation in late capitalism. Committee asked what is one sentence takeaway from thesis. Student answered there is unexpected strong correlation between existentialist philosophy and modern institutional coordination of society. Committee asked how student ended up discussing three thinkers together. Student mentioned that analysing different thinkers together results in different conclusions. Student mentioned that Petit thinks Sartre too optimistic by excluding institutions and focusing too much on individuals. Student mentioned that civil society can't function without safeguards. Committee mentioned that thesis is well written, but should be more focused on punchline. Student mentioned that did not want to have tunnel vision in thesis, has to have more nuanced answer in thesis, put one thing in forefront of thesis.

Result of defence:	excellent (B)	
Chair of the board:	Franěk Jakub, Mgr., Ph.D. (present)
Committee members:	Špecián Petr, Ing., Ph.D. (present)
	Tesař Jakub, Mgr., Ph.D. (present)