Philosophy of Mind Research Resources

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Introduction

This is a guide to some research resources for work in the philosophy of mind. Note that some of the internet links will work only if you are on campus, or signed in through the library—the easiest way to do this is to search for the title of the work in question through the library webpage, and then link through to the associated internet site.

People

I have office hours. Make use of them! You should also make use of the philosophy librarian, Eileen Daly, who is always available to help students with philosophy research. You can see contact details for Eileen, with a list of library resources she has prepared for research in philosophy, here: http://www.lib.rochester.edu/index.cfm?PAGE=149.

Books on Reserve


Our textbook, remember?


Another excellent textbook covering much of the same material. It also has the virtue of being written by Australians.
Dictionaries


Abbagnano to zygote—easily the best general dictionary of philosophy.

Eliasmith (2007).

An online dictionary of philosophy of mind.

Nani and Marraffa (2007).

Fewer, but longer, articles than the Eliasmith-edited dictionary.

Encyclopædias

Craig (2007).

A posteriori to Zoroastrianism—this 9 Volume Encyclopædia has everything. Jackson and Rey (1998) is a brief survey article on philosophy of mind, with citations to many of the entries relevant to this course. All of the entries include annotated bibliographies of relevant books and papers.

Zalta (2007).

Easily the best online general philosophy resource.


Anyone with an interest in both cognitive science and esoteric literature will be disappointed to learn that Robert A. Wilson is not the same person as Robert Anton Wilson.

Guttenplan (1994).

An excellent philosophy of mind desk reference, with an all-star set of contributors.
Research Tools

*Philosopher's Index*
http://spweb.silverplatter.com.ezp.lib.rochester.edu/c147786?

Covers every written work of philosophy in the known universe. A search for “mind” turns up 16,000+ books and papers, which is why it is often best to start with a good dictionary or encyclopædia, or have a very definite idea of what you are after.

*Contemporary Philosophy of Mind: An Annotated Bibliography*
http://consc.net/biblio.html

An extraordinarily comprehensive bibliography, sorted by category.

*JSTOR*
http://jstor.org/

An outstanding archive of high quality scholarly journals.

References


