

# PHILOSOPHY (B.A.)

Philosophy contributes to the liberal education of any student, whatever their predominant interests, by its emphasis on clear and cogent thought, by consideration of the interrelations of fact and value, by training in logic and the methodology of inquiry, and by a study and analysis of major philosophical outlooks.

## Admission Requirements

Admission requirements for this program are satisfied by the general requirements for undergraduate admission (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admission/>) to the University. Students who are planning to major in philosophy or who simply wish advice or consultation concerning course offerings and programs should see the Director of Undergraduate Studies in Philosophy.

## Program Requirements

Candidates must complete 120 credits in course work including satisfaction of the University General Education Requirements (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/general-education/>) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Group Requirements (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/bachelors-degree-requirements/>), as well as the departmental major requirements cited below. All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the University (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-regulations/>) and the College (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/academic-regulations/>) governing undergraduate scholarship and degrees.

## Major Requirements

Students planning to major in Philosophy should consult the department's undergraduate advisor as early as possible. Students may satisfy the major in either of two ways: with a traditional (p. 1) concentration or with a concentration in law, ethics and justice (p. 1).

CORE COURSE (3-4 credits). All students (of either concentration) must take one of the following logic courses:

Code	Title	Credits
Select one of the following:		3-4
PHI 2850	Introductory Symbolic Logic	
PHI 2860	Honors Introductory Symbolic Logic	
PHI 5050	Advanced Symbolic Logic	

### Traditional Concentration

This option is primarily intended for those students whose interests in Philosophy are broad and general, and for those who are considering doing graduate-level work in Philosophy. A candidate pursuing this concentration must complete a minimum of ten courses in Philosophy, including the Logic Core Course (see above) as well as the following courses and selections from course groups (found in Philosophy Courses (<http://bulletins.wayne.edu/undergraduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/philosophy/#coursestext>)):

Code	Title	Credits
<b>1. Two courses in the History of Philosophy.</b>		
Select at least one History of Philosophy course from the following:		
PHI 2100	Ancient Greek Philosophy	
PHI 2110	Philosophy of the Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment	

PHI 2140	Ancient Greek Medicine and Psychology	
PHI 5400	The Presocratics and Sophists	
PHI 5410	Plato	
PHI 5420	Aristotle	
PHI 5450	British Empiricism	
PHI 5460	Kant	
PHI 5510	Special Topics in the History of Philosophy	
Select a second History of Philosophy course from the above, or from the following:		
PHI 2150	Chinese Philosophy	
PHI 2170	Islamic and Near Eastern Philosophy	
PHI 3450	Existentialism	
<b>2. Select one course in the Value Theory Group</b>		
PHI 2320	Introduction to Ethics	
PHI 2330	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy	
PHI 2360	Feminist Philosophy	
PHI 2390	Philosophy of Human Rights	
PHI 3270	Foundations of Law	
PHI 3700	Philosophy of Art	
PHI 5240	Social and Political Philosophy	
PHI 5250	Justice and Rights in Health Care	
PHI 5260	Philosophy of Sex and Gender	
PHI 5270	Philosophy of Law	
PHI 5280	History of Ethics	
PHI 5290	Free Will and Moral Responsibility	
PHI 5300	Foundations of Ethics	
PHI 5330	Ethics, Law, and Health	
<b>3. Select one course in the Philosophical Problems Group</b>		
PHI 2400	Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion	
PHI 2550	Introduction to Philosophy of Science	
PHI 2650	Minds and Machines	
PHI 3500	Theory of Knowledge	
PHI 3550	Metaphysics	
PHI 3600	Space, Time, and the Philosophy of Physics	
PHI 5210	Philosophy of Race and Racism	
PHI 5230	Philosophy of Science	
PHI 5500	Topics in Metaphysics	
PHI 5530	Topics in Epistemology	
PHI 5550	Philosophy of Mind	
PHI 5570	Philosophy of Language	
PHI 5630	Twentieth Century Analytic Philosophy I	

### 4. Select four 5000-level courses, which must total at least 14 credits

NOTE: Courses taken at the 5000-level which are used to satisfy any of requirements 1-3 may also be counted toward requirement 4, though the ten-course minimum for the major must still be met.

### Law, Ethics and Justice Concentration

This option is intended for students who have a special interest in ethical issues, social justice, philosophy of law, or pre-law. A candidate pursuing this concentration must complete a minimum of ten courses in Philosophy, including the Core Courses (see above) as well as the following courses and selections from course groups:

Code	Title	Credits
<b>1. One course in the History of Philosophy group</b>		
PHI 2100	Ancient Greek Philosophy	

PHI 2110	Philosophy of the Scientific Revolution and Enlightenment
PHI 2140	Ancient Greek Medicine and Psychology
PHI 2150	Chinese Philosophy
PHI 2170	Islamic and Near Eastern Philosophy
PHI 3450	Existentialism
PHI 5400	The Presocratics and Sophists
PHI 5410	Plato
PHI 5420	Aristotle
PHI 5450	British Empiricism
PHI 5460	Kant
PHI 5510	Special Topics in the History of Philosophy

## 2. Select one course from the Philosophical Problems Group

PHI 2400	Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion
PHI 2550	Introduction to Philosophy of Science
PHI 2650	Minds and Machines
PHI 3500	Theory of Knowledge
PHI 3550	Metaphysics
PHI 3600	Space, Time, and the Philosophy of Physics
PHI 5210	Philosophy of Race and Racism
PHI 5230	Philosophy of Science
PHI 5500	Topics in Metaphysics
PHI 5530	Topics in Epistemology
PHI 5550	Philosophy of Mind
PHI 5570	Philosophy of Language
PHI 5630	Twentieth Century Analytic Philosophy I

## 3. PHI 2320 - (PL) Introduction to Ethics

### 4. One course in Philosophy of Law, Politics, or Human Rights

PHI 2330	Introduction to Social and Political Philosophy
PHI 2390	Philosophy of Human Rights
PHI 3270	Foundations of Law
PHI 5240	Social and Political Philosophy
PHI 5270	Philosophy of Law
PHI 5330	Ethics, Law, and Health

Or other approved course in social and political philosophy, philosophy of law, or human rights.<sup>1</sup>

### 5. One course in Applied Ethics

PHI 1100	Contemporary Moral Issues
PHI 1110	Ethical Issues in Health Care
PHI 1120	Professional Ethics
PHI 1130	Environmental Ethics
PHI 1500	Race, Sex, and Religion
PHI 2360	Feminist Philosophy
PHI 5250	Justice and Rights in Health Care
PHI 5260	Philosophy of Sex and Gender

### 6. One advanced course in Ethics<sup>2</sup>

PHI 5280	History of Ethics
PHI 5290	Free Will and Moral Responsibility
PHI 5300	Foundations of Ethics

7. Two total 5000-level courses in the Theory of Value, from the following: 5240, 5250, 5260, 5270, 5280, 5290, 5300, and 5330 (choice for requirement 6 and any other 5000-level choices from above requirements count here too)

8. Four total 5000-level courses (choices for requirements 6 and 7, and any other 5000-level choices from above requirements count here too)

NOTE: Courses taken at the 5000-level which are used to satisfy any of requirements 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 may also be counted toward requirement 8, though the ten-course minimum must still be met.

## Philosophy Honors

**Admission** to the honors program in philosophy is determined on the basis of the student's overall record. The student will normally be required to have

1. a minimum grade point average of 3.3,
2. credit in at least three philosophy courses, and
3. a 'B' or better average in philosophy courses.

To remain in the philosophy honors program, the student must maintain a 'B' or better average in philosophy courses.

**Honors Requirements:** To receive an Honors Degree, the candidate must complete the course requirements for the regular major. In addition the candidate must complete a total of at least fifteen credits of Honors-designated coursework, including:

1. PHI 4890 during the candidate's senior year;
2. one 42XX honors seminar offered through the Honors College;
3. at least six additional credits of Honors-designated coursework in Philosophy (other than PHI 4890); and
4. additional credits of Honors-designated coursework as needed to reach the fifteen-credit minimum.

At graduation, the overall grade point average must be at least 3.3. If at any point the student fails to maintain Honors standards, his or her credits will automatically be counted towards the regular degree major. Students interested in becoming candidates for the Honors Degree in philosophy should consult the Department's undergraduate advisor as soon as possible.