



PHILOSOPHY

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy provides a broad orientation to the major branches of Philosophy (Metaphysics, Epistemology, Ethics, and Logic) and to the various ways Philosophy has progressed throughout human history (through courses in Ancient, Medieval, Modern, and Contemporary thought and World Philosophy). We offer special topics courses such as Feminist Philosophy, Philosophy of Religion, Bioethics, Aesthetics, Philosophy of Film, Philosophy of Literature, Philosophy of Science and Technology, and Phenomenology and Existentialism. The primary goal of our program, however, is not merely to promote the mastery of philosophical content, but to help cultivate the philosophical spirit by nourishing students' responsiveness to the wonder of being, their commitment to justice, and their overall capacity to explore philosophical issues with creativity and critical insight.

Career Opportunities

Because Philosophy is at the heart of the liberal arts experience, a B.A. in Philosophy allows students to synthesize insights from a wide variety of fields and to sharpen their critical and creative skills in the process. The study of Philosophy is excellent preparation for a number of careers including law, education, religious studies, government, art, library science, and business. Apart from its application to particular careers, Philosophy provides students with the opportunity to explore their own sense of personal identity and value, to broaden their views of and commitment to justice, and to deepen the moral and spiritual dimensions of their lives.

Faculty

Dr. Frederick Zenon Culverhouse, Assistant Professor (Ph.D., Claremont Graduate University)
Dr. Christopher Edelman, Assistant Professor (Ph.D., Emory University)
Dr. Douglas A. Gilmour, Associate Professor (Ph.D., Duke University)
Dr. Paul Lewis, Associate Professor and Chair (Ph.D., University of Kentucky)
Dr. Bernadette E. O'Connor, Emerita Professor (Ph.D., Duquesne University)

Minor in Philosophy

The minor in Philosophy requires 18 hours in Philosophy, including PHIL 1381, PHIL 3312, PHIL 3318, PHIL 3332, one course chosen from PHIL 3351, PHIL 3352, PHIL 3353, PHIL 3354, or PHIL 3355, and one additional upper-division course (3000- or 4000-level)

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Bachelor of Arts in PHILOSOPHY Course Sequence (2013-2015)

Following this sequence increases the likelihood of completing this degree in four years' time. Dropping courses, retaking classes, or registering for less than a full course load will delay graduation, so always consult your academic advisor before deviating from this suggested sequence. Students may enroll in a course only if they have met all prerequisites for that course. Check the UIW Bulletin for details.

	FALL	SPRING
FR	PHIL 1381 Introduction to Philosophy or PHIL 1381H (for Honors students only) (3) ENGL 1311 (or 1311L) (3) RELS CORE (3) SOCIAL SCIENCE CORE (3) Elective (3) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.	PHIL 3332 Ethics (3) DWHP 1200 (or DWHP 3200) and 1-hour lifelong physical activity course (3) ENGL 1312 (3) FINE ARTS CORE (3) HIST CORE (3) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.
SO	PHIL 3351 Ancient Philosophy (3) ENGL 2310 (3) Modern Language (3) NATURAL SCIENCES and Lab CORE (4) Elective (3) SEMESTER HRS: 16 hrs.	PHIL 3352 Medieval Philosophy (3) MATH CORE (3) Modern Language (3) Elective (6) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.
JR	PHIL 3353 Modern Philosophy (3) PHIL 3312 Logic (3) Electives (9) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.	PHIL 3354 Contemporary Philosophy (3) PHIL 3318 Theories of Reality and Knowledge (3) Minor or Electives (6) Electives (3) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.
SR	PHIL upper-division (3) Minor or Electives (upper-division) (6) Electives (6) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.	PHIL 3355 World Philosophy (3) PHIL upper-division (3) Minor or Electives (6) Elective (3) SEMESTER HRS: 15 hrs.
ADVANCED min. 36 hrs.		TOTAL PHILOSOPHY: min. 33 hrs.
TOTAL DEGREE: min. 121 hrs.		

CORE OPTIONS

FINE ARTS

Any three-hour Performance or History course in Visual Art, Dance, Music, or Theatre (Computer Graphic Arts courses will not satisfy this requirement)

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

First course, choose RELS 1305, 1315, 1325, or 1335.
 Second course not needed. Instead, see Philosophy requirements.

HISTORY

HIST 1311, 1312, 1321, 1322, or 3310H (Honors students only)

MATH

MATH 1304, 1306, 1308, 2303, or higher level of MATH

NATURAL SCIENCE

- BIOL 1401, 1402, 2321/2121
- CHEM 1301/1101, 1405
- ENSC 1410 or ENSC 3420H (Honors students only)
- GEOL 1401, 1402, 1415, 1420
- METR 1430
- NUTR 2400
- PHYS 1301/1101, 2305/2105, 2308/2108

PHILOSOPHY

Fulfilled in major.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

- ANTH 1311
- CLST 2315
- CRJU 1311
- ECON 2301
- GOVT 1315, 1316 or 4310H (Honors students only)
- PSYC 1301
- SOCI 1311 or 4310H (Honors students only)

