

# PHILOSOPHY

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Philosophy and Humanities  
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## BA Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 130 credits

The courses in philosophy are designed to confront the student with the fundamental problems of both Western and non-Western philosophical heritages and introduce the student to independent reflection on them, thus broadening his/her perspectives for the various areas of specialization in science, the social sciences and humanities.

### Major — BA Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 129).
2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 133).
3. Complete two semester-length courses of non-English language study at the college level.\*
4. Complete the following program (major) requirements:\*\*
  - a. Complete the following:
    - PHIL F102—Introduction to Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F104—Logic and Reasoning.....3
    - PHIL F202—Introduction to Eastern Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F351—History of Ancient Greek Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F352—History of Modern Philosophy: Descartes to Kant.....3
    - PHIL F471—Contemporary Philosophical Problems.....3
  - b. Complete six of the following electives:
    - PHIL F108—Critical Thinking.....3
    - PHIL F110—Introduction to Political Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F322X—Ethics\*\*\*.....3
    - PHIL F341O—Theories of Knowledge.....3
    - PHIL F342—Theories of Reality.....3
    - PHIL F353—Survey of Buddhist Thought.....3
    - PHIL F361—Philosophy in Literature.....3
    - PHIL F362—Feminist Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F381—Topics in Logics.....3
    - PHIL F402—Biomedical and Research Ethics.....3
    - PHIL F411W,O—Classical Political Theory.....3
    - PHIL F412W—Modern Political Theory.....3
    - PHIL F421—Aesthetics.....3
    - PHIL F472—Ethics in International Affairs.....3
    - PHIL F481—Philosophy of Science.....3
    - PHIL F482—Comparative Philosophy and Religions.....3
    - PHIL F485—Topics in Comparative Philosophies.....3
    - PHIL F487—Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology.....3
    - PHIL F493—Special Topics.....3
    - PHIL F499W—BA Thesis in Philosophy.....3
5. Minimum credits required .....130

## Minor

1. Complete the following:
    - PHIL F102—Introduction to Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F351—History of Ancient Greek Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F352—History of Modern Philosophy: Descartes to Kant.....3
    - PHIL elective at the F400 level.....3
  2. Complete two of the following:
    - PHIL F104—Logic and Reasoning.....3
    - PHIL F108—Critical Thinking.....3
    - PHIL F110—Introduction to Political Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F202—Introduction to Eastern Philosophy.....3
    - PHIL F322X—Ethics\*\*\*.....3
    - PHIL F341O—Theories of Knowledge.....3
    - PHIL F342—Theories of Reality.....3
    - PHIL F353—Survey of Buddhist Thought.....3
    - PHIL F361—Philosophy in Literature.....3
    - PHIL F381—Topics in Logics.....3
    - PHIL F402—Biomedical and Research Ethics.....3
    - PHIL/PS F411W,O—Classical Political Theory.....3
    - PHIL/PS F412W—Modern Political Theory.....3
    - PHIL F421—Aesthetics.....3
    - PHIL F472—Ethics in International Affairs.....3
    - PHIL F481—Philosophy of Science.....3
    - PHIL F482—Comparative Philosophy and Religions.....3
    - PHIL F485—Topics in Comparative Philosophies.....3
    - PHIL F487—Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology.....3
  3. Minimum credits required .....18
- \* Non-English language may be used to meet general degree requirements.  
\*\* Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.  
\*\*\* PHIL F322X may not be counted toward a philosophy major or minor if used to fulfill core requirements.

# Baccalaureate Core Requirements

## Communication . . . . . 9 Credits

- ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing.....(3)  
*ENGL F190H may be substituted.*

Complete one of the following:

- ENGL F211X—Academic Writing about Literature.....(3)
- ENGL F213X—Academic Writing about the Social and Natural Sciences.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- COMM F131X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Group Context.....(3)
- COMM F141X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context.....(3)

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## Perspectives on the Human Condition . . . . . 18 Credits

Complete all of the following four courses:

- ANTH F100X/SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture.....(3)
- ECON F100X or PS F100X—Political Economy.....(3)
- HIST F100X—Modern World History.....(3)
- ENGL/FL F200X—World Literature.....(3)

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Complete one of the following three courses:

- ART/MUS/THR F200X—Aesthetic Appreciation: Interrelationship of Art, Drama and Music.....(3)
- HUM F201X—Unity in the Arts.....(3)
- ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaska Native Performance.....(3)

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Complete one of the following six courses:

- BA F323X—Business Ethics.....(3)
- COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics.....(3)
- JUST F300X—Ethics and Justice.....(3)
- NRM F303X—Environmental Ethics and Actions.....(3)
- PS F300X—Ethics and Society.....(3)
- PHIL F322X—Ethics.....(3)

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Or complete 12 credits from the above courses plus one of the following:

- Two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language
- Three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

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## Mathematics . . . . . 3 Credits

Complete one of the following:

- MATH F103X—Concepts and Contemporary Applications of Mathematics.....(3)
- MATH F107X—Functions for Calculus\*.....(4)
- MATH F161X—Algebra for Business and Economics\*\*.....(3)
- STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics.....(3)

\* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.

Or complete one of the following\*:

- MATH F200X—Calculus I\*\*.....(4)
- MATH F201X—Calculus II.....(4)
- MATH F202X—Calculus III.....(4)
- MATH F262X—Calculus for Business and Economics.....(4)
- MATH F272X—Calculus for Life Sciences.....(4)

\* Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

\*\* No credit may be earned for more than one of Math F200X, F262X or F272.

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## Natural Sciences . . . . . 8 Credits

Complete any two (4-credit) courses.

- ATM F101X—Weather and Climate of Alaska.....(4)
- BIOL F100X—Human Biology.....(4)
- BIOL F101X—Biology of Sex.....(4)
- BIOL F103X—Biology and Society.....(4)
- BIOL F104X—Natural History.....(4)
- BIOL F115X—Fundamentals of Biology I.....(4)
- BIOL F116X—Fundamentals of Biology II.....(4)
- BIOL F120X—Introduction to Human Nutrition.....(4)
- BIOL F213X—Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....(4)
- BIOL F214X—Human Anatomy and Physiology II.....(4)
- CHEM F100X—Chemistry in Complex Systems.....(4)
- CHEM F103X—Basic General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F104X—Beginnings in Biochemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F105X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F106X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- GEOG F111X—Earth and Environment: Elements of Physical Geography.....(4)
- GEOS F100X—Introduction to Earth Science.....(4)
- GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth.....(4)
- GEOS F106X—Life and the Age of Dinosaurs.....(4)
- GEOS F112X—History of Earth and Life.....(4)
- GEOS F120X—Glaciers, Earthquakes and Volcanoes.....(4)
- GEOS F125X—Humans, Earth and Environment.....(4)
- MSL F111X—The Oceans.....(4)
- PHYS F102X—Energy and Society.....(4)
- PHYS F103X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F104X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F115X—Physical Science I.....(4)
- PHYS F175X—Astronomy.....(4)
- PHYS F211X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F212X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F213X—Elementary Modern Physics.....(4)

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## Library and Information Research . . . . . 0-1 Credit

- Successful completion of library skills competency test or LS F100X or LS F101X prior to junior standing

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## Upper-Division Writing and Oral Communication

Complete the following at the upper-division level:

- Two writing intensive courses designated (W) and one oral communication intensive course designated (O), or two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2) (see degree and/or major requirements)

**Total credits required 38-39**

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.

Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course used toward the baccalaureate core.

