

# PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

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## DEGREES/PROGRAMS OFFERED

3-Year BA

4-Year BA

Honours BA

Minor

## INTRODUCTION

The Department of Philosophy at the University of Winnipeg has a long commitment to an historical approach to philosophy and philosophical education which our graduates attest has served them well. Students in our Department have the opportunity to examine authors from every historical period, and from Europe, the Middle East, North America, and other parts of the world. They can investigate philosophy's fundamental metaphysical, epistemological, and axiological questions: What is the nature of the universe? What can I know? What should I become? What should I do? This historical approach allows students to encounter diverse answers to these questions and come to understand the historical origins of the dominant answers to these questions in contemporary society. In addition to courses in the Department's History Stream, students have the opportunity to select courses from the Ethics, Politics, and Value Theory Stream or the Metaphysics and Epistemology Stream.

The Department offers a variety of 3-Year, 4-Year, and Honours BA programs and a minor. Philosophy courses also provide an excellent theoretical adjunct to majors in other departments. Introduction to Logical Reasoning provides valuable critical thinking tools for all students. The Department offers discipline-specific courses such as Philosophy of Education for Education, Philosophy of Literature for English, Philosophy of History for History, Philosophy of Religion for Religion, and Philosophy of Mind for Psychology. There are also applied ethics courses such as Environmental Ethics for Environmental Science/Studies students and Health Care and Bioethics for prospective doctors, nurses, and other biomedical professionals. Philosophy of the Natural Sciences

Combined Major:

Minimum 48 credit hours from 2 different majors with not less than 24 credit hours in Philosophy courses

Required courses:



Program Core (30 credits)

PHIL-1001(6) or PHIL-1002(6)

PHIL-2302(6)

6 credit hours from the History Stream

6 credit hours from the Metaphysics and Epistemology Stream

6 credit hours from the Ethics, Politics, and Value Theory Stream

Stream Requirement: 12 credit hours in a Stream

PHIL-4800(6) or 6 credit hours 4000 level in a Stream

Depth Requirement:

12 credit hours 3000 level courses

18 credit hours 4000 level courses (including PHIL-4800(6) or 6 credit hour 4000 level courses.)

NOTE: PHIL-1301 and either PHIL-1001 or PHIL-1002 may be taken for degree credit.

3000 and 4000 level courses are offered in rotation.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR A MINOR IN PHILOSOPHY

Degree: Students completing any undergraduate degree program are eligible to complete the minor.

Minor: 18 credit hours in the minor subject, with a minimum of 12 credit hours above the 1000 level

Residence Requirement: Minimum 12 credit hours in the minor subject

Required courses: Any 18 credit hours in Philosophy, subject to the above requirements

Restrictions: Students cannot declare the same subject as a major and a minor

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Students are advised that 3000 and 4000 level courses are offered in rotation. To complete your degree in a timely manner, you are advised to meet regularly with the Department Chair or a member of the Department.

### Philosophy Course Selection

Year 1 students are advised to take a 1000 level course, although 2000 level courses do not generally require a prerequisite. For Year 2 students, or beyond, the first Philosophy course may be at the 2000 level.

3000 level courses require a minimum of 12 credit hours in Philosophy

4000 level courses require:

A minimum of 15 credit hours in Philosophy (9 credits at 2000 level or higher)

B average or better in Philosophy courses

Written permission of the Department Chair

Courses may only be counted once for degree requirements

3000 and 4000 level Topics courses may be repeated when the topics are different

### Humanities Requirement

PHIL-2302(6) Logic does not fulfill the Humanities Requirement

Credit for Logic courses received by transfer from other institutions does not fulfill the Humanities requirement

### Cross -Listed Courses

Approval of the Department Chair or a member of the Department is required to count more than one Philosophy cross-listed course for credit towards the major

## STREAMS

### HISTORY STREAM COURSES

PHIL 2002(3) History of Philosophy: Classical

PHIL 2003(3) History of Philosophy: Early Modern

PHIL 2004(3) History of Philosophy: 19<sup>th</sup> Century

PHIL 2005(3) History of Philosophy: Recent

Anglo-American

PHIL 2010(3) History of Philosophy: Existentialism

PHIL-2020(3) History of Philosophy: Renaissance

PHIL 2112(3) History of Philosophy: Medieval Latin

PHIL 2291(3) History of Educational Ideas

PHIL 3502(3) History of Philosophy: Medieval Arabic and

Hebraic

PHIL 3504(3) Plato and Before

PHIL 3505(3) Aristotle and After

PHIL 3507(3) 17<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy

PHIL 3508(3) 18<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy

PHIL 3509(3) 19<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy

PHIL 3510(3) Anglo-American Philosophy

PHIL 3511(3) Postmodern Philosophy

PHIL 4117(3) Topics in Continental Philosophy

PHIL 4503(3) Topics in the History of Philosophy

### ETHICS, POLITICS, AND VALUE THEORY STREAM COURSES

PHIL/POL-2200(6) Social and Political Philosophy

PHIL 2201(6) Moral Philosophy

PHIL 2202(3) Health Care and Bioethics

PHIL 2207(3) Philosophy of Law

PHIL 2208(3) War and Peace

PHIL 2219(3) Philosophy of Art

PHIL 2220(3) Philosophy of Literature

PHIL 2230(3) Moral Issues in Business

PHIL/IS-2240(3) Indigenous Justice Issues 0.0

