

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR

The Philosophy major provides a traditional course of study in philosophy.

Requirements

All students majoring in philosophy and not writing an honors thesis must complete a total of nine courses (27 credits) in philosophy. All students majoring in philosophy and writing an honors thesis must complete ten courses (31 credits). In this case, honors thesis work in PHIL 4990 Honors Reading (3 c.h.) and PHIL 5000 Honors Thesis (4 c.h.) counts for two courses and seven credits. (One of these seven credits is a writing requirement credit.) In addition to the standard major, the department offers two more specialized tracks within the major: Law, Morality, and Society; and Language, Mind, and Knowledge.

Honors Thesis

- PHIL 4990 Honors Reading (3 c.h.)
- PHIL 5000 Honors Thesis (4 c.h.)

Standard Major

For the standard major in philosophy the specific course requirements are:

| Course ID | Title | Credits |
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| History of Philosophy | | 6 |
| PHIL 2010 | History of Ancient Phil | |
| PHIL 2020 | History of Modern Phil | |
| Logic | | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| PHIL 1060 | Critical Thinking | |
| PHIL 1210 | Elementary Symbolic Logic | |
| PHIL 3040 | Mathematical Logic | |
| Ethics | | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| PHIL 1030 | Ethics | |
| PHIL 2600 | Ethics In Business | |
| PHIL 3050 | Moral Philosophy | |
| PHIL 3510 | History of Ethics | |
| PHIL 3550 | Medical Ethics | |
| PHIL 3560 | Social & Polit Ethics | |
| PHIL 3570 | Ethics of Abortion | |
| PHIL 3580 | Ethical Theory | |
| PHIL 3650 | Crime and Punishment | |
| PHIL 6050 | Moral Philosophy | |
| PHIL 6130 | Moral Psychology & Meta-Ethics | |
| PHIL 6250 | Locke's Moral & Political Phil | |
| PHIL 6520 | Environmental Ethics | |
| PHIL 6760 | Mill's Util Liberalism | |
| Metaphysics/Mind/Epistemology | | |
| Select one of the following: | | 3 |
| PHIL 1020 | Philosophies of The Self | |
| PHIL 1040 | Beginning With Minds | |
| PHIL 2030 | Minds, Machines & Experience | |
| PHIL 2200 | Matter and Consciousness | |
| PHIL 3120 | Origins of Analytic Philosophy | |
| PHIL 3410 | Theory of Knowledge | |
| PHIL 3150 | Logical Empiricism | |

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| PHIL 3420 | Metaphysics |
| PHIL 3740 | Consciousness |
| PHIL 3760 | Interpreting Minds |
| PHIL 3765 | Imagination |
| PHIL 3800 | Language and Thought |
| PHIL 6100 | Skepticism |
| PHIL 6010 | Metaphysics of Mind |
| PHIL 6105 | Philosophy of Neuroscience |
| PHIL 6120 | Metaphysics |
| PHIL 6150 | Freedom & The Self |
| PHIL 6170 | Philosophy of Perception |
| PHIL 6180 | Mental Representation |
| PHIL 6190 | Philosophy of Mind |

Additional Requirements

Four more courses beyond the above, for a total of 27 courses in the complete major. Two courses must be at the 6000 level. No more than three courses may be at the 1000 level. 12

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| PHIL 3640 | Philosophy of Law | 3 |
| PHIL 3660 | Anarchy | 3 |
| PHIL 6510 | Theories of Economic Justice | 3,4 |
| PHIL 3750 | Philosophy of Cognitive Science | 3,4 |

Total Credit Hours

39-41

Additional Information

No more than three of the required nine courses can be at the 1000-level.

Contact

For more information, contact the School of Liberal Arts (<https://liberalarts.tulane.edu/philosophy/about/contact-us/>).