

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 131).
2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 135).
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 required130

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 required18
- * 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 Alaskan 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.