**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  
      - PHIL F104—Logic and Reasoning  
      - PHIL F202—Introduction to Eastern Philosophy  
      - PHIL F351—History of Ancient Greek Philosophy  
      - PHIL F352—History of Modern Philosophy: Descartes to Kant  
      - PHIL F471—Contemporary Philosophical Problems
   b. Complete six of the following electives:
      - PHIL F108—Critical Thinking
      - PHIL F110—Introduction to Political Philosophy
      - PHIL F322X—Ethics
      - PHIL F341O—Theories of Knowledge
      - PHIL F342—Theories of Reality
      - PHIL F353—Survey of Buddhist Thought
      - PHIL F361—Philosophy in Literature
      - PHIL F381—Topics in Logics
      - PHIL F402—Biomedical and Research Ethics
      - PHIL/PS F411W,O—Classical Political Theory
      - PHIL F421—Aesthetics
      - PHIL F472—Ethics in International Affairs
      - PHIL F481—Philosophy of Science
      - PHIL F482—Comparative Philosophy and Religions
      - PHIL F485—Topics in Comparative Philosophies
      - PHIL F487—Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology
   c. PHIL elective at the F400 level

5. Minimum credits required ...............................................130

**Minor**

1. Complete the following:  
   - PHIL F102—Introduction to Philosophy
   - PHIL F351—History of Ancient Greek Philosophy
   - PHIL F352—History of Modern Philosophy: Descartes to Kant
   - PHIL elective at the F400 level

2. Complete two of the following:  
   - PHIL F104—Logic and Reasoning
   - PHIL F108—Critical Thinking
   - PHIL F110—Introduction to Political Philosophy
   - PHIL F202—Introduction to Eastern Philosophy
   - PHIL F322X—Ethics
   - PHIL F341O—Theories of Knowledge
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   - PHIL F487—Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology

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)

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)

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)

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)

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.

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* .....................................(4)
- 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.

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 F210X—Introduction to Human Nutrition ...................................................(4)
- BIOL F211X—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)

Library and Information Research ............... 0–1 Credit

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

0–1

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.