

# PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

## Department of Philosophy, College of Arts

Our programs are designed to educate students about philosophical discussions of central questions in ethics, political philosophy, theory of knowledge, metaphysics and philosophy of science, among other areas. This includes learning the history of these subjects as well as understanding current debates. In gaining this knowledge students develop crucial skills of articulation, critical thinking, intellectual independence and the ability to understand others' viewpoints and assumptions. It is important that students discuss their programs with a Faculty Advisor (Faculty Advisors | University of Guelph (<https://www.uoguelph.ca/vpacademic/avpa/faculty-advisor/>)) in order to ensure that the best selection of elective Philosophy courses is made. This is especially important for students who are contemplating graduate work in Philosophy.

## Major Requirements (Honours)

This is a major within the degree: Bachelor of Arts.

8.50 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

Note: As part of the 8.50 required credits, students may count a maximum of 1.00 credits at the 1000-level in Philosophy towards their Philosophy electives.

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL*2100	Critical Thinking	0.50
or PHIL*2110	Formal Logic	
PHIL*2120	Ethics	0.50
or PHIL*2280	Key Concepts in Political Philosophy	
PHIL*2140	Ancient Greek Philosophy	0.50
or PHIL*2160	Early Modern Philosophy: Reason vs. Experience	
PHIL*2800	Philosophy in Action	0.50
PHIL*3160	Metaphysics	0.50
or PHIL*3170	Topics in the Philosophy of Science	
or PHIL*3180	Philosophy of Mind	
or PHIL*3190	Epistemology	
or PHIL*3380	Philosophy of Biology	
PHIL*4820	Philosophy Research Presentation	0.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher <sup>1</sup>		1.50
1.00 credits in Philosophy at the 4000 level		1.00
3.00 credits in Philosophy electives <sup>2</sup>		3.00

<sup>1</sup> PSYC\*3280 Minds, Brains & Machines may be used as a 3000 level Philosophy course.

<sup>2</sup> Students may only count 1.00 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.

## Minor Requirements (Honours)

This minor cannot be combined with a major in Philosophy.

5.00 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL*2100	Critical Thinking	0.50
or PHIL*2110	Formal Logic	
PHIL*2120	Ethics	0.50
or PHIL*2280	Key Concepts in Political Philosophy	
PHIL*2240	Knowledge and Belief	0.50
PHIL*2370	Metaphysics and Mind	0.50
1.00 credits in Philosophy		1.00
2.00 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher. <sup>2</sup>		2.00

<sup>2</sup> PSYC\*3280 Minds, Brains & Machines may be used as a 3000 level Philosophy course.

## Area of Concentration Requirements (General)

This is an area of concentration within the degree: Bachelor of Arts.

5.00 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL*2100	Critical Thinking	0.50
or PHIL*2110	Formal Logic	
PHIL*2120	Ethics	0.50
or PHIL*2280	Key Concepts in Political Philosophy	
PHIL*2240	Knowledge and Belief	0.50
PHIL*2370	Metaphysics and Mind	0.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy <sup>1</sup>		1.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher. <sup>2</sup>		1.50

<sup>1</sup> Students may only count 1.00 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.

<sup>2</sup> PSYC\*3280 Minds, Brains & Machines may be used as a 3000 level Philosophy course.