

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 (<https://www.uoguelph.ca/uaic/facultyadvisors-ba> (<https://www.uoguelph.ca/uaic/facultyadvisors-ba/>)) 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.

Students may take PHIL*1000 Classic Thinkers, PHIL*1010 Introductory Philosophy: Social and Political Issues, PHIL*1030 Sex, Love, and Friendship and PHIL*1050 Ethics, Knowledge, and Reality but only two may be counted towards the minimum number of Philosophy courses required for a degree.

Area of Concentration (General Program)

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 ¹		1.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher. ²		1.50

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Students may only count 1.00 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.

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PSYC*3280 Minds, Brains & Machines may be used as a 3000 level Philosophy course.

Major (Honours Program)

8.50 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
PHIL*2140	Ancient Greek Philosophy	0.50
PHIL*2160	Early Modern Philosophy: Reason vs. Experience	0.50
PHIL*2180	Philosophy of Science	0.50
or PHIL*2240	Knowledge and Belief	
PHIL*2280	Key Concepts in Political Philosophy	0.50

PHIL*2370	Metaphysics and Mind	0.50
PHIL*3100	Kant and His Legacy	0.50
PHIL*4820	Philosophy Research Presentation	0.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy ¹		1.50
1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher ²		1.50
1.00 credits in Philosophy at the 4000 level		1.00

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Minor (Honours Program)

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. ²		2.00

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PSYC*3280 Minds, Brains & Machines may be used as a 3000 level Philosophy course.