Philosophy Undergraduate Programs

Text from the Fall 2017 Undergraduate Calendar

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, PHIL*1010, PHIL*1030, and PHIL*1050 but only one may be counted towards the minimum number of Philosophy courses required for a degree.

**Major (Honours Program)**
8.50 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

- **PHIL*2120 [0.50] Ethics**
- **PHIL*2140 [0.50] Ancient Greek Philosophy**
- **PHIL*2160 [0.50] Early Modern Philosophy: Reason vs Experience**
- **PHIL*2280 [0.50] Key Concepts in Political Philosophy**
- **PHIL*2370 [0.50] Metaphysics and Mind**
- **PHIL*3100 [0.50] Kant and His Legacy**
- **PHIL*4820 [0.50] Philosophy Research Presentation**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2100 [0.50] Critical Thinking**
  - **PHIL*2110 [0.50] Formal Logic**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2240 [0.50] Knowledge and Belief**
  - **PHIL*2180 [0.50] Philosophy of Science**
- 1.50 credits in Philosophy (Note: Students may only count .50 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.)
- 1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher
- 1.00 credits in Philosophy at the 4000 level or higher

**Minor (Honours Program)**
5.00 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

- **PHIL*2240 [0.50] Knowledge and Belief**
- **PHIL*2370 [0.50] Metaphysics and Mind**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2120 [0.50] Ethics**
  - **PHIL*2280 [0.50] Key Concepts in Political Philosophy**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2100 [0.50] Critical Thinking**
  - **PHIL*2110 [0.50] Formal Logic**
- 1.00 credits in Philosophy (Note: Students may only count .50 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.)
- 2.00 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher

**Area of Concentration (General Program)**
5.00 Philosophy credits are required, as follows:

- **PHIL*2240 [0.50] Knowledge and Belief**
- **PHIL*2370 [0.50] Metaphysics and Mind**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2120 [0.50] Ethics**
  - **PHIL*2280 [0.50] Key Concepts in Political Philosophy**
- **one of:**
  - **PHIL*2100 [0.50] Critical Thinking**
  - **PHIL*2110 [0.50] Formal Logic**
- 1.50 credits in Philosophy (Note: Students may only count .50 credits at the 1000 level towards this requirement.)
- 1.50 credits in Philosophy at the 3000 level or higher