Morris Campus

Philosophy B.A.

Division of Humanities - Adm

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- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2021
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 40
- Degree: Bachelor of Arts

The philosophy program provides an environment in which students receive rich, well-rounded instruction in philosophy, whose pursuit is essential to a liberal arts education.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

UMM's philosophy curriculum offers coursework in all major subfields of philosophy including the history of philosophy, metaphysics and logic, epistemology, and values. As a field of study, philosophy is at the core of a liberal arts education, as its skills encourage independent thought and interdisciplinary, integrated inquiry. Specifically, UMM's philosophy program offers students the opportunity to:

Explore philosophy's fundamental questions and proposed answers;

Cultivate their own philosophical powers, which include creativity, sensitivity, intellectual courage, open-mindedness and critical-mindedness, logical rigor, and analytical precision:

Join the great conversation by contributing their own considered insights;

Hone their ability to speak and write effectively.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the Office of Admissions website.

General Requirements

All students are required to complete general University and college requirements. For more information, see the general education requirements.

Program Requirements

Students are required to take 2 semester(s) of any second language.

No grades below C- are allowed. Courses may not be taken S/N, unless offered S/N only.

A minimum GPA of 2.00 is required in the major to graduate. The GPA includes all, and only, University of Minnesota coursework. Grades of "F" are included in GPA calculation until they are replaced.

Required Courses

PHIL 1101 - Introduction to Philosophy [HUM] (4.0 cr)

or PHIL 1801 - THINK: An Introduction to Philosophy [IC] (4.0 cr)

PHIL 1102 - Introduction to Symbolic Logic [M/SR] (4.0 cr)

PHIL 1103 - Introductory Ethics [E/CR] (4.0 cr)

Core Courses

Take 12 or more credit(s) from the following:

- •PHIL 3101 Metaphysics [HUM] (4.0 cr)
- •PHIL 3121 Political Philosophy [SS] (4.0 cr)
- •PHIL 3141 Epistemology [HUM] (4.0 cr)
- •PHIL 3151 History of Ancient Philosophy [HIST] (4.0 cr)
- •PHIL 3171 History of Modern Philosophy [HIST] (4.0 cr)

Advanced Seminar

One 49xx course from the following: PHIL 4902 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr) or PHIL 4903 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr) or PHIL 4904 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr)

Elective Courses

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following: •PHIL 2112 - Professional Ethics [E/CR] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2113 - International and Biomedical Ethics [E/CR] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2114 - Environmental Ethics [ENVT] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2121 - Philosophy of Religion [HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2141 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 3143 - Philosophy of Mind [HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2162 - Ethics of Love and Sex [E/CR] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2116 - Free Will [HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 3131 - Philosophy of Law [SS] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 4000 {Inactive}[HIST] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 2117 - Existentialism [HIST] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 4100 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 3142 - Philosophy of Language [HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 4130 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr) •PHIL 4131 {Inactive}[HUM] (4.0 cr)

Additional 4xxx Elective

One additional 4xxx course exclusive of those used to meet other major requirements or electives. Take 4 or more credit(s) from the following:

•PHIL 4xxx