Philosophy (PHIL)

Courses

PHIL 1001. Moral Choices in Life. Units: 3
Fundamentals of ethical reasoning in the context of a first-year seminar. Introduction to moral theories and methods of moral decision making. Focus on such issues as ethics in the workplace, responsible citizenship, euthanasia, and responsibilities to the homeless, the environment and animals. Satisfies GE category E. Formerly offered as PHIL 101.

PHIL 1005. Critical Thinking Through Argument Analysis. Units: 3
Analysis of various kinds of reasoning employed in everyday life and in more specialized contexts, to develop each student's skill in understanding and using carefully constructed arguments. Illustrations will include materials drawn from contemporary issues. Satisfies GE Category A3. Formerly offered as PHIL 105.

PHIL 1011. Introduction to Philosophy. Units: 3
Prerequisites: Satisfaction of the GE Written Communication requirement. An introduction to philosophical thinking by means of reading, discussing and writing about selected philosophical works. Students are encouraged to develop their own philosophical views in a critical exchange with the views of the philosophers studied. Satisfies GE category C2; WI designation. Formerly offered as PHIL 101.

PHIL 1012. Introduction to Ethics. Units: 3
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Written Communication requirement. An introduction to ethics and moral theory. Philosophical approaches to questions of right and wrong, duty and obligation, good and evil. Deals with both individual morality and social morality. Satisfies GE category C2; WI designation; and the Social Justice Pathway. Formerly PHIL 191.

PHIL 1013. Introduction to Philosophy of Religion. Units: 3
Prerequisites: Satisfaction of the GE Written Communication requirement. Introductory treatment of philosophical issues raised by religion and religious belief; discussion of issues such as relations between faith, belief and knowledge, arguments for the existence of god, the problem of evil, and immortality. Satisfies GE category C2; WI designation. Formerly PHIL 192.

PHIL 1014. Introduction to Asian Philosophy. Units: 3
Prerequisites: Satisfaction of the GE Written Communication requirement. Introduction to the ways in which human life and reality is viewed from perspectives such as Buddhism, Hinduism, Taoism and Confucianism. Satisfies GE category C2; WI designation; G designation; and World Cultures and Diversity Pathway. Formerly PHIL 193.

PHIL 1015. Introduction to Knowledge and Reality. Units: 3
Prerequisites: Satisfaction of the GE Written Communication requirement. Inquiry into philosophical presuppositions underlying common sense and scientific views of knowledge and reality. Possible topics include: Was the universe created? Is the world as it appears to us? Are humans merely complex machines or do they have souls? How do we know what we know? What are moral values? Satisfies GE category C2; WI designation. Formerly PHIL 194.

PHIL 2100. Critical Thinking Through Symbolic Logic. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Mathematics/Quantitative reasoning GE requirement. Quarter Prerequisite: Mathematics GE requirement A3. Introduction to logic and its application to everyday reasoning. Emphasis on formal methods and modern symbolic logic. A grade of C- is required to receive GE credit. Satisfies the GE Category A3. Formerly offered as PHIL 200.

PHIL 3006. Philosophy in Children's Literature. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Examination of philosophical questions in children's literature. Satisfies GE Category C4; WI designation. Formerly PHIL 3005.

PHIL 3007. Philosophy in Young Adult Literature. Units: 3
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Examination of philosophical questions in young adult literature. Satisfies GE Category C4. Formerly PHIL 3005.

PHIL 3008. Philosophy in World Literature. Units: 3
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Examination of philosophical questions in world literature. Satisfies GE Category C4. Formerly PHIL 3005.

PHIL 3010. Truth, Lies and Bullshit. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Junior or senior standing. Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Investigation of the nature of truth, lies and (the related concept) bullshit, with application to contemporary topics. Satisfies GE Category C4, Diversity and Social Justice Pathway, and WI designation. Formerly PHIL 3001.

PHIL 3011. Philosophy of Race. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication (GE A2) requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Inquiry into the nature of race and racial injustice through contemporary philosophical theories of these topics. Satisfies GE Category C4; DI designation; WI designation, and Diversity and Social Justice Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.
**PHIL 3012. Philosophy of Gender. Units: 3**
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Study of philosophical theories of gender and critical analysis of gender-related issues. Topics include the sex/gender distinction, analyses of gender and oppression, and the intersection of gender with other social identities like race and sexual orientation. Satisfies GE Category C4; G designation; WI designation; and the Social Justice Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3013. Human Rights & Global Citizenship. Units: 3**
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Examination of the tension between respecting cultural traditions and the idea of universal human rights. Satisfies GE Category C4; G designation; WI designation; and the Global Connections Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3014. Environmental Ethics. Units: 3**
Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Study of moral principles in application to the environment. Topics to be discussed include the value of the natural world, our moral obligations towards non-human life and our environment, and a variety of applied topics (for example, climate change, environmental justice, and technology and the environment). Satisfies GE Category C4; WI designation, and Environmental Sustainability Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3015. Roots and Results of Democracy. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Philosophical theories and movements leading to and emerging from democratic institutions. Satisfies GE Category C4, WI designation, and Big Ideas That Change The World Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3016. Real Ethics in a Virtual World. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Examination of ethical issues arising with development of modern electronic media. Satisfies GE Category C4, WI designation, and The Digital Life Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3017. Scientific Revolutions. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Philosophical examination of major scientific revolutions. Satisfies GE Category C4, WI designation, and Big Ideas That Change The World Pathway. Formerly PHIL 3001.

**PHIL 3020. Philosophy of Hip Hop. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication requirements
Inquiry into the aesthetic, epistemic, moral and political features of hip hop music through contemporary philosophical work from aestheticians, epistemologists, ethicists, political philosophers and philosophers of race. Satisfies GE category C4; Satisfies GE designations WI and DI; Satisfies Diversity and Social Justice GE Pathway.

**PHIL 3025. Marginalized in America. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Written Communication (GE A2) requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Philosophical study of oppression and marginalization. Analysis of the variety of ways in which oppression or marginalization impacts the lives and psychologies of marginalized peoples in the United States. Satisfies GE Category C4; Satisfies GE designations WI and DI; Satisfies Diversity and Social Justice GE Pathway.

**PHIL 3026. Philosophy of Disability. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (GE A3) and Written Communication (GE A2) requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Study and critical analysis of ability and disability. Topics include social and medical models of disability, perspectives in critical disability studies, and disability as identity. Satisfies GE Category C4; Satisfies GE designations WI and DI; Satisfies Diversity and Social Justice GE Pathway.

**PHIL 3040. Philosophy and Film. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (GE A3) and Written Communication (GE A2) requirements. Junior or senior standing. Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Study of philosophical themes as they arise in works of film. Satisfies GE Category C4 and WI designation.

**PHIL 3100. Predicate Logic. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: PHIL 2100 or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: PHIL 200 or consent of instructor
Introduction to the standard predicate calculus. Some metatheory. This course requires some basic mathematical or logical background. Formerly PHIL 300.

**PHIL 3110. Alternative Logics. Units: 3**
Semester Prerequisite: PHIL 2100 or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: PHIL 200 or consent of instructor
Logics alternative to the classical predicate calculus. Topics include logics extending or contrasting with the classical approach. May be repeated for credit two times as topics change for a total of 6 units. Formerly known as PHIL 308.
PHIL 3210. Ancient Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Introduction to the origin of Western philosophy, as represented in the works of the Pre-Socratics, Plato, Aristotle, the Stoics, Epicureans, Skeptics and Mystics. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 311.

PHIL 3250. Early Modern Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Major philosophical developments in Western philosophy from c 1600 to 1800. Figures examined may include: Descartes, Leibniz, Spinoza, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, Kant, Reid, Rousseau, Hobbes, Malebranche, Wollstonecraft, Newton, and Clarke. Satisfies the writing GE designation WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 313 and 314.

PHIL 3290. Topics in the History of Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Study of a specially-selected figure, movement, problem, or theory in the history of philosophy. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Satisfies the GE designation WI.

PHIL 3310. Ethics. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
The nature of the meaningful life and its relation to concepts of right and wrong explored through various moral theories. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 350.

PHIL 3315. Moral Psychology. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
A survey of major themes central to the philosophical study of moral psychology, including moral motivation, emotions and moral judgment, moral reasoning, and character formation. Satisfies GE designation WI only.

PHIL 3320. Latin American Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Inquiry into Latin American philosophy through exploring current and historical philosophical views from and about Latin America. Satisfies the GE designations WI, G, DI.

PHIL 3330. Social and Political Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
An examination of major perspectives on how societies should be organized. Study of central issues such as legitimacy of government, and rights versus obligations; or of major concepts such as justice, equality, rights, class, patriarchy and power. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 361B.

PHIL 3350. Philosophy of Law. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
A study of philosophical problems raised by the law, such as the obligation to obey the law; concepts of justice; and justifications for legal rights. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 362.

PHIL 3355. Jurisprudence. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Addresses the classic question, "What is law?" and considers whether the criteria for identifying valid legal rules in a legal system refer exclusively to their origin or pedigree or whether they must also satisfy valid moral principles. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 363.

PHIL 3390. Topics in Value Theory. Units: 3
Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Consideration of select problems in moral and political theory. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 351.

PHIL 3410. Philosophy of Religion. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Problems arising in contemporary philosophy of religion. These may include those arising from consideration of the nature or existence of God, the rationality of belief in God, the problem of evil, the hiddenness of God, the relation between justified belief and religious experience, and God's relation to the world. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly Phl 372.

PHIL 3450. Asian Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Study of various philosophical issues that arise within non-Western world views such as Buddhism, Hinduism, and Taoism. Satisfies the GE designations G and WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 375.
PHIL 3510. Theory of Knowledge. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Problems concerning acquiring and justifying knowledge, including the roles of sense perception and reason, the distinction between knowledge and belief, the nature of evidence, and the concepts of truth and certainty. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 385.

PHIL 3520. Philosophy of Science. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Foundations of science, including the nature of scientific methodology, explanation, concept formation, and the structure of theories, using case studies from the natural sciences and social sciences. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 386.

PHIL 3530. Social Epistemology. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A3) requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Inquiry into how knowledge and belief relate to social phenomena such as gender and racial injustice. Satisfies the GE designations WI, DI.

PHIL 3540. Metaphysics. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Problems relating to existence. Includes issues such as realism and anti-realism, the nature of modal truth, free-will and determinism, the mind-body problem, and the nature of identity. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly PHIL 380.

PHIL 3550. Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement, satisfaction of the GE (B4) Mathematics/Quantitative reasoning requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: PHIL 200 and satisfaction of the Philosophy (C4) requirement
Philosophical issues raised by logic and mathematics, such as the nature of mathematical and logical truth, the nature of logical consequence, the relation between logic, mathematics and the world, and justification of logical and mathematical systems. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 381 and 383.

PHIL 3560. Philosophy of Language. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking (A4) and Philosophy (C4) requirements
Inquiry into the syntactic, semantic and pragmatic dimensions of language, focusing on different theories of these components, and the philosophical implications of these theories. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 387.

PHIL 3570. Topics in Metaphysics and Knowledge. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and a GE category C (C2, C3 or C4) Philosophy course, or consent of instructor
Consideration of select problems in metaphysics, philosophy of language, theory of knowledge and philosophy of science. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Satisfies the GE designation WI.

PHIL 3590. Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE (A3) Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
A survey of intellectual traditions comprising 20th-century Continental philosophy, including post-structuralism, and the works of Heidegger, Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and others, as well as contemporary applications of Continental thought (e.g., in contemporary Black existentialism and feminist theories of embodiment). Satisfies GE designation WI only.

PHIL 3610. Existentialism. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Exploration of core existentialist themes of freedom, subjectivity, consciousness, embodiment, and lived experience. This course also includes phenomenological analyses of particular kinds of lived experiences (for example, gendered embodiment). Satisfies GE designation WI only.

PHIL 3620. Continental Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
A study of intellectual traditions comprising 20th-century Continental philosophy, including post-structuralism, and the works of Heidegger, Merleau-Ponty, Foucault and others, as well as contemporary applications of Continental thought (e.g., in contemporary Black existentialism and feminist theories of embodiment). Satisfies GE designation WI only.

PHIL 3630. Existentialism. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking requirement and any lower-division course in Philosophy. Prerequisite: Satisfaction of the GE Critical Thinking and Philosophy requirements
Study of a specially-selected figure, movement, problem, or theory in philosophy. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Satisfies the GE designation WI. Formerly offered as PHIL 390.

PHIL 3640. Advanced Issues in Logic. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: PHIL 3100 or consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: PHIL 300 or consent of instructor
Discussion of issues such as axiomatic logic, proofs of soundness and completeness, the incompleteness of arithmetic and set theory. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly PHIL 400.

PHIL 3650. Advanced Issues in History of Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: At least two 300-level philosophy courses. Quarter Prerequisite: at least two 300-level philosophy courses
An intensive study of one or more philosophical figures or topics in the history of philosophy. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly PHIL 410.
Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: At least two 3000-level philosophy courses.
Intensive study of topics in ethics, social philosophy, and/or political philosophy. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly PHIL 460.

PHIL 4500. Advanced Issues in Metaphysics and Knowledge. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: At least two 3000-level philosophy courses.
Quarter Prerequisite: at least two 300-level philosophy courses.
Intensive study of topics in metaphysics, philosophy of language, theory of knowledge, and/or philosophy of science. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly PHIL 485.

PHIL 4900. Advanced Topics in Philosophy.
Units: 3
Intensive study of a specially selected figure, movement, problem, or theory in philosophy. May be repeated for credit as topics change. Formerly PHIL 490.

PHIL 5751. Internship in Philosophy. Unit: 1
Semester Prerequisite: consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: consent of instructor.
Supervised intensive work of an applied nature that requires advanced skills in philosophy. A total of six internship units may be applied toward graduation; a total of three internship units may be applied to the major. Graded credit/no credit. Formerly PHIL 575B.

PHIL 5752. Internship in Philosophy. Units: 2
Semester Prerequisite: consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: consent of instructor.
Supervised intensive work of an applied nature that requires advanced skills in philosophy. A total of six internship units may be applied toward graduation; a total of three internship units may be applied to the major. Graded credit/no credit. Formerly PHIL 575C.

PHIL 5753. Internship in Philosophy. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: consent of instructor.
Supervised intensive work of an applied nature that requires advanced skills in philosophy. A total of six internship units may be applied toward graduation; a total of three internship units may be applied to the major. Graded credit/no credit. Formerly PHIL 575D.

PHIL 5951. Independent Study. Unit: 1
Semester Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.
Intensive study of topics not offered in other existing philosophy courses. No more than six units of independent study can apply towards the philosophy major without departmental approval. Formerly PHIL 595B.

PHIL 5952. Independent Study. Units: 2
Semester Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.
Intensive study of topics not offered in other existing philosophy courses. No more than six units of independent study can apply towards the philosophy major without departmental approval. Formerly PHIL 595C.

PHIL 5953. Independent Study. Units: 3
Semester Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Quarter Prerequisite:
Consent of instructor.
Intensive study of topics not offered in other existing philosophy courses. No more than six units of independent study can apply towards the philosophy major without departmental approval. Formerly 595D.