

MAJOR IN PHILOSOPHY

Requirements Effective Fall 2026

A grade of C (2.000) or better is required in all PHIL courses.

Freshman

	AUCC	Credits
CO 150 College Composition (GT-CO2)	1A	3
PHIL*** ^{1,2,3}		6
1B (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#aucc)	1B	3
Arts and Humanities (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#artsandhumanities)	3B	3
Biological and Physical Sciences (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)	3A	7
Historical Perspectives (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)	3D	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#social-behavioral-sciences)	3C	3
Elective		3
Total Credits		31

Sophomore

PHIL*** Topic Areas 1/4 and 2/4 ⁴		6
1C (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#aucc)	1C	3
Advanced Writing (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#advanced-writing)	2	3
Arts and Humanities (https://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#artsandhumanities)	3B	3
Electives		15
Total Credits		30

Junior

PHIL 310 Philosophical Methods	4A	3
PHIL*** Topic Area 3/4 ⁴		3
PHIL*** ^{1,2,3}		3
Electives		21
Total Credits		30

Senior

PHIL*** Topic Area 4/4 ⁴		3
PHIL*** ^{1,2,3}		3
Select a minimum of 3 credits from the following:		3
PHIL 462 Capstone Seminar	4B,4C	
PHIL 487 Internship	4B,4C	
Electives ⁵		20
Total Credits		29
Program Total Credits:		120

Topic Areas

History of Western Philosophy

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL 300	Ancient Greek Philosophy	3
PHIL 301	17th and 18th Century European Philosophy	3
PHIL 302	19th Century Philosophy	3
PHIL 303	Medieval Philosophy	3
PHIL 407	Phenomenology and Existentialism	3
PHIL 409	20th Century Philosophy	3

Global Philosophies

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL 270	Issues in the Study of Religion	3
PHIL 333	Latin American Philosophy	3
PHIL 335	Islam-Cosmology and Practice	3
PHIL 349	Philosophies of East Asia	3
PHIL 356	Islamic Philosophy	3
PHIL 360	Topics in Asian Philosophy	3
PHIL 379	Mysticism East and West	3

Ethics, Values, and Society

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL 201/CS 201	Ethical Computing Systems	3
PHIL 205	Introduction to Ethics	3
PHIL 230	Epistemology and Values in Sustainability	3
PHIL 240	Philosophies of Peace and Nonviolence	3
PHIL 245	Environmental Philosophies (GT-AH3)	3
PHIL 264	Animal Ethics	3
PHIL 312	Philosophy of Law	3
PHIL 318	Aesthetics-Visual Arts	3
PHIL 320	Ethics of Sustainability	3
PHIL 322	Biomedical Ethics	3
PHIL 345	Environmental Ethics	3
PHIL 350	Social and Political Philosophy	3
PHIL 353	Feminist Philosophies	3
PHIL 363	Social Metaphysics	3
PHIL 447	Ethical Theory	3

Knowledge and Reality

Code	Title	Credits
PHIL 206	Knowledge and Existence-An Introduction	3
PHIL 210	Introduction to Formal Logic	3
PHIL 315	Philosophy of Language	3
PHIL 325	Philosophy of Science	3
PHIL 326	Philosophy of Biology	3
PHIL 327	Philosophy of Behavioral Sciences	3
PHIL 348	Philosophy of Literature and the Arts	3
PHIL 355	Philosophy of Religion	3
PHIL 375	Science and Religion	3
PHIL 410	Formal Logic	3
PHIL 411	Logic in Philosophy and Beyond	3

PHIL 425	Epistemology	3
PHIL 435	Metaphysics	3
PHIL 438	Philosophy of Mind	3

¹ No more than 6 PHIL credits at the 100-level may be applied to the major.

² Some courses may also count towards AUCC requirements.

³ At least 15 PHIL credits must be at or above the 300-level.

⁴ Students must take at least one course from each of four topic areas:

- History of Western Philosophy
- Global Philosophies
- Ethics, Values, and Society
- Knowledge and Reality

⁵ Select enough elective credits to bring the program total to 120, of which at least 42 must be Upper-Division (300- to 400-level).