Philosophy Baccalaureate Student Learning Goals Course Matrix

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We want philosophy majors to:

Be able to **explain theories and arguments of major philosophers**, and do so in major areas of philosophy, e.g., logic, metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and social and political philosophy

Be aware of **developments in contemporary philosophy**

Be able to abstract, **analyze, and construct logical arguments** and to recognize fallacies, using formal and informal methods of reasoning, including conceptual analysis

Be able to **interpret philosophical texts** from a variety of traditions with sensitivity to context

Be able to use **specialized philosophical terminology**

Be able to employ **standard methods of philosophical research**, including awareness of print and electronic resources

Be able to **compose an essay in philosophy** that demonstrates clear thought, depth of understanding, ability to apply philosophical methods, and mastery of relevant writing skills.

Articulation of the Student Learning Goals in the Degree Program

I = Introduced
P = Practiced
C = Baccalaureate-level competence achieved

		explanation of theories and arguments of major philosophers	awareness of developments in contemporary philosophy	analysis and construction of logical arguments	interpretation of philosophical texts	use of specialized philosophical terminology	application of standard methods of philosophical research	composition of an essay in philosophy
BA in Philosophy								
1 course selected from:								
PHIL 101	Introduction to Philosophy	**I**	**I**		**I & P**	**I**		**I & P**
PHIL 104	The Good Life	**I**	**I**		**I & P**	**I**		**I & P**
4 courses selected from:								
PHIL 201	History of Ancient Philosophy	**P**		**I**	**I & P**	**I**	**I**	**I**
PHIL 302	History of Modern Philosophy	**P**		**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 380	Intermediate Logic			**I & P**		**I & P**		
PHIL 320	Ethics	**I & P**	**I & P**	**P**	**P**	**P**		**P**
PHIL 490	Senior Capstone Seminar	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**
1 course selected from:								
PHIL 320	Ethics	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 340	Social/Political Philosophy	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
1 course selected from:								
PHIL 360	Knowledge Theory: Epistemology	**P & C**	**I & P**	**P**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P**	**P & C**
PHIL 361	Metaphysics	**P & C**	**I & P**	**P**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P**	**P & C**
3 courses selected from:								
PHIL 303	History of 19th Century Philosophy	**P**			**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 304	Analytic Philosophy	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 305	Continental Philosophy	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 333	Contemporary Moral Theory	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 335	Regional Ethics Bowl	**P & C**		**P & C**		**P**		
PHIL 362	Philosophy of Mind/Language	**P & C**	**I & P**	**P**	**P**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**
PHIL 384	Aesthetics	**I**	**I**	**P**	**P**	**I & P**	**P**	**P**
PHIL 370	Philosophy of Science	**I**	**I**	**P**	**P**	**I & P**		
PHIL 382	Sartre and Camus	**P**			**P**	**P**		**P**
PHIL 420	Seminar: Contemporary Moral Theory	**C**	**P & C**	**P**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**
PHIL 480	Advanced Logic			**P & C**		**P & C**		
PHIL 499h	Senior Honors Research Paper	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**	**P & C**