DOCTORATE IN
PHILOSOPHY
PHILOSOPHY
SPECIALIZATION IN
CANADIAN STUDIES

The Department of Philosophy offers MA (with or without thesis) and PhD programs in Philosophy. The programs are offered in English and French. According to the University’s policy, students may pursue their studies in the official language of their choice.

The Department participates in the collaborative programs in Women’s Studies (at the MA level), in Medieval and Renaissance Studies (at the MA level) and in Canadian Studies (at the PhD level). For more information on these programs, see “Admission Requirements.”

Because of its strength in relevant areas, its bilingual character and its location in the national capital, the University of Ottawa is uniquely positioned to offer a collaborative program leading to a specialization in Canadian Studies at the doctoral level. The program is especially designed for doctoral students in selected programs in the humanities and the social sciences who wish to enrich their training in a particular discipline by including an interdisciplinary component.

The programs are governed by the general regulations in effect for graduate studies.

Admission Requirements

For the most accurate and up to date information on application deadlines, language tests and other admission requirements, please visit the specific requirements webpage.

Admission Requirements

Candidates are admitted to the PhD on the basis of an MA in Philosophy with a minimum “B+” average.

An application dossier must include official transcripts, two letters of recommendation, a description of the intended field of research, and a sample of written work. For candidates wishing to enter the PhD without an MA the application dossier must include a detailed statement of research plans.

Language Requirements

Proficiency in both French and English is strongly encouraged so that students may take advantage of the full range of activities — lectures, personal contacts, and courses — available in the Department (graduate courses are normally not duplicated in the two languages).

Collaborative Program

The Department of Philosophy is a participating unit in the collaborative program in Canadian Studies at the PhD level. This program has been established for students wishing to enrich their training in Philosophy by including an interdisciplinary component in Canadian Studies. The seminar (CDN 6520 or CDN 6910) fits into the departmental course requirements and does not add to the number of courses required for the PhD in Philosophy.

To be admitted to the program, students must be enrolled in, or have successfully completed, at least one graduate course in Philosophy with Canadian content. The mention “Specialization in Canadian Studies” will be added to the diploma of students who pass the seminar (CDN 6520 or CDN 6910) and successfully defend a thesis on a Canadian topic in Philosophy.

Transfer from Master's to PhD

In addition, for those enrolled in the MA in Philosophy, the Department offers an accelerated entrance to the PhD after completing, with a minimum “A-” average, six courses and a major research paper; normally these requirements can be fulfilled within twelve months. Students accepted into the PhD by this accelerated route do not require an MA. Please note that the minimal admission average requirements for the doctoral program must also be met.

Program Requirements

Doctorate with Collaborative Specialization

The PhD program consists of six (one-term) courses, a comprehensive exam, a thesis project, and a thesis, including defence.

Students enrolled in the collaborative program will be asked to meet both the requirements of their primary program and those of the collaborative program. The units completed for the specialization in Canadian Studies count also towards the primary degree in Philosophy. Additional units are not required.

Compulsory Courses (PHI):

15 elective course units in philosophy (PHI) at the graduate level

Second Language Proficiency Requirement

Compulsory Courses (CDN):

3 course units from:

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Note(s)

Facilities, Research Centres and Institutes at the Faculty of Arts


For more information, refer to the list of faculty members and their research fields on Uniweb.

IMPORTANT: Candidates and students looking for professors to supervise their thesis or research project can also consult the website of the faculty or department (https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/academic-unit-contact-information) of their program of choice. Uniweb does not list all professors authorized to supervise research projects at the University of Ottawa.

Courses

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PHI 5362 Logic and Philosophy of Science III (3 units)
Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5363 Epistemology II (3 units)
Course Component: Lecture

PHI 5364 Epistemology III (3 units)
Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5365 Metaphysics II (3 units)
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PHI 5366 Metaphysics III (3 units)
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PHI 5367 Philosophical Anthropology II (3 units)
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PHI 5368 Philosophical Anthropology III (3 units)
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PHI 5369 Ethics II (3 units)
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PHI 5373 Philosophy of Religion II (3 units)
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PHI 5375 Philosophy of History II (3 units)
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PHI 5377 Aesthetics II (3 units)
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PHI 5381 Epistemology IV (3 units)
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PHI 5383 Metaphysics IV (3 units)
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PHI 5391 Philosophy of History IV (3 units)
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Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5741 Logique et philosophie du langage I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5742 Épistémologie et philosophie des sciences I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5743 Métaphysique I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5744 Anthropologie philosophique I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5745 Philosophie morale I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5746 Philosophie sociale et politique (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5747 Philosophie de la religion I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5748 Philosophie de l'histoire I (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5749 Philosophie ancienne II (3 crédits)
Volet: Cours magistral

PHI 5750 Philosophie ancienne III (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5751 Philosophie médiévale II (3 crédits)
Volet: Séminaire

PHI 5752 Philosophie médiévale III (3 crédits)
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PHI 5753 Philosophie moderne II (3 crédits)
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PHI 5755 Philosophie anglo-américaine II (3 crédits)
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PHI 5757 Philosoplie française II (3 crédits)
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Course Component: Seminar

PHI 6102 Selected Problems II (3 units)
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PHI 6501 Thèmes et problèmes de philosophie I (3 crédits)
Volet : Séminaire

PHI 6502 Thèmes et problèmes de philosophie II (3 crédits)
Volet : Séminaire

PHI 6503 Thèmes et problèmes de philosophie III (3 crédits)
Volet : Séminaire

PHI 6904 Étude dirigée / Directed Study (3 crédits / 3 units)
Travail à préparer sous la direction d'un membre du corps professoral du département. Préalable: permission du comité des études supérieures. / Paper to be prepared under the direction of a professor in the department.

PHI 6995 Mémoire et recherche (MA) / Major Research Paper (MA)
Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

PHI 6996 Mémoire et recherche (MA) / Major Research Paper (MA)
Volet / Course Component: Cours magistral / Lecture

PHI 6997 Mémoire et recherche (MA) / Major Research Paper (MA)
Volet / Course Component: Cours magistral / Lecture

CDN 6520 Séminaire sur la francophonie canadienne (3 crédits)
Séminaire sur des thèmes se rapportant à la francophonie canadienne, particulièrement les francophones vivant en situation minoritaire.

CDN 6910 Séminaire en études canadiennes / Seminar in Canadian Studies (3 crédits / 3 units)
Séminaire interdisciplinaire bilingue sur des sujets se rapportant au Canada. Les thèmes seront choisis en consultation avec les unités participantes, en tenant compte du nombre d'étudiants, de l'orientation de leur recherches et celles des unités participantes. / Bilingual interdisciplinary seminar on issues related to the study of Canada. Topics to be selected in consultation with participating units, taking into consideration the number of students, their research interests and those of the participating units.