

# 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 (<http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1807>) 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 (<https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/programs-admission/apply/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	15 Units
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Second Language Proficiency Requirement <sup>1</sup>

### Compulsory Courses (CDN):

3 course units from:	3 Units
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CDN 6520 Séminaire sur la francophonie canadienne <sup>2</sup>

CDN 6910 Seminar in Canadian Studies

### Comprehensive Examination:

PHI 8998 Candidacy Examination (PhD)

### Thesis Project:

PHI 8999 Directed Research (PhD)

### Thesis:

THD 9999 Doctoral Thesis <sup>3</sup>

Note(s)

<sup>1</sup> Doctoral candidates must also complete a proficiency requirement in the second official language. This requirement can be completed in one of three ways:

- Passing (50%) the FLS 1000 exam; OR
- Completing 6 units of FLS courses at your level (as determined by the Official Languages and Bilingualism Institute); OR
- Successfully completing a Philosophy graduate seminar given in French. (N.B. As per University regulations, students may write examinations and papers in the official language of their choice.)

Doctoral students must have sufficient mastery of languages to complete their research project; that is, they must be capable of studying texts in the original language and be able to check translations.

<sup>2</sup> CDN 6520 is offered only in French.

<sup>3</sup> Submission and successful defence of a thesis on a Canadian topic in the participating unit. The proposed topic must be approved by both the participating unit and the Canadian Studies Graduate Committee. At least one of the examiners of the thesis must be a person chosen in consultation with the executive committee of the Institute of Canadian and Aboriginal Studies.

## Minimum Standards

The passing grade in all courses is C+. Students who fail two courses (equivalent to 6 units), the thesis proposal, or whose research progress is deemed unsatisfactory are required to withdraw.

## Duration of Program

The program is designed to be completed in four years. The maximum time permitted is six years, or seven years in the case of transfer students.

## Thesis Advisory Committee

For information on the Thesis Advisory Committee, please consult the graduate studies secretariat of the Department of Philosophy.

## Research

### Research Fields & Facilities

Located in the heart of Canada's capital, a few steps away from Parliament Hill, the University of Ottawa is among Canada's top 10 research universities.

uOttawa focuses research strengths and efforts in four Strategic Areas of Development in Research (SADRs):

- Canada and the World
- Health
- e-Society
- Molecular and Environmental Sciences

With cutting-edge research, our graduate students, researchers and educators strongly influence national and international priorities.

## Research at the Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts is proud of the state of the art research conducted by its professors. In the spirit of showcasing its research to the university community as well as to the general public, the Faculty has created three activities: Dean's Lecture Series, Treasures of the Library, and Excellence Lectures.

## Facilities, Research Centres and Institutes at the Faculty of Arts

Centre de recherche en civilisation canadienne-française (<http://arts.uottawa.ca/crccf>), Institute of Canadian and Aboriginal Studies (<http://arts.uottawa.ca/canada/en>), Institute for Science, Society and Policy (<http://isssp.uottawa.ca/en>), Official Languages and Bilingualism Institute (OLBI) (<http://olbi.uottawa.ca>) and Morisset Library (<http://biblio.uottawa.ca/en/morisset-library>).

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

PHI 5319 Aesthetics I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5331 Ancient Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5332 Medieval Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5333 Modern Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5334 Anglo-American Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5335 French Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5336 German Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5341 Logic and Philosophy of Science I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5342 Epistemology I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5343 Metaphysics I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5344 Philosophical Anthropology I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5345 Ethics I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5346 Social and Political Philosophy I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5347 Philosophy of Religion I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5348 Philosophy of History I (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5349 Ancient Philosophy II (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

PHI 5350 Ancient Philosophy III (3 units)

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5351 Medieval Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5352 Medieval Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5353 Modern Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5354 Modern Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5355 Anglo American Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5356 Anglo American Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5357 French Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5358 French Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5359 German Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5360 German Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5361 Logic and Philosophy of Science II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**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)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5366 Metaphysics III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5367 Philosophical Anthropology II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5368 Philosophical Anthropology III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5369 Ethics II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5370 Ethics III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5371 Social and Political Philosophy II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5372 Social and Political Philosophy III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5373 Philosophy of Religion II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5374 Philosophy of Religion III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5375 Philosophy of History II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5376 Philosophy of History III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5377 Aesthetics II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5378 Aesthetics III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 5731 Philosophie ancienne I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5732 Philosophie médiévale I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5733 Philosophie moderne I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5734 Philosophie anglo-américaine I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5735 Philosophie française I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5736 Philosophie allemande I (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**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)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5753 Philosophie moderne II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5754 Philosophie moderne III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5755 Philosophie anglo-américaine II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5756 Philosophie anglo-américaine III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5757 Philosophie française II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5758 Philosophie française III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5759 Philosophie allemande II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5760 Philosophie allemande III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5761 Logique et philosophie du langage II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5762 Logique et philosophie du langage III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5763 Épistémologie et philosophie des sciences II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5764 Épistémologie et philosophie des sciences III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5765 Métaphysique II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5766 Métaphysique III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5767 Anthropologie philosophique II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5768 Anthropologie philosophique III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5769 Philosophie morale II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5770 Philosophie morale III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5771 Philosophie sociale et politique II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5772 Philosophie sociale et politique III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5773 Philosophie de la religion II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5774 Philosophie de la religion III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5775 Philosophie de l'histoire II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5776 Philosophie de l'histoire III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5777 Philosophie de l'art II (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 5778 Philosophie de l'art III (3 crédits)**

Volet : Séminaire

**PHI 6101 Selected Problems I (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 6102 Selected Problems II (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**PHI 6103 Selected Problems III (3 units)**

Course Component: Seminar

**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.

Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

Prerequisite: 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

**PHI 6999 Recherche dirigée (MA) / Directed Research (MA)**

Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

**PHI 8995 Mémoire de recherche (PhD) / Major Reserach Paper (PhD)**

Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

**PHI 8998 Examen de candidature / Candidacy Examination (PhD)**

Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

**PHI 8999 Recherche dirigée (PhD) / Directed Research (PhD)**

Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

**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.

Volet : Séminaire

**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.

Volet / Course Component: Séminaire / Seminar