HONOURS BA IN ETHICS AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Ethical issues are taking on a greater importance in society and in our lives. Think, for example, of the questions raised by medical advances that challenge our concepts of life and death, or the privacy issues created by the growing use of the Internet. This multidisciplinary program in ethics is both theoretical and applied. You reflect on fundamental issues in moral and political philosophy and come to understand the nature of ethics issues in health care, business, law, communication, criminology, social work, public affairs and other areas.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements
Admissions and enrolments for this program will be accepted for the Fall 2019 term.

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Basic Skills
ENGL 1100 Workshop in Essay Writing 3 Units
3 course units from:
  
  AHN 1100 Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts 3 Units
  
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ENGL 1120 Literature and Composition I: Prose Fiction
ENGL 1121 Literature and Composition II: Drama and Poetry

Compulsory courses at the 2000 level
PHI 2170 Logic I 3 Units
PHI 2174 Ethics 3 Units
PHI 2183 Political Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 2380 Greek Philosophy or the Birth of Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 2383 Modern Philosophy 3 Units

Compulsory courses at the 3000 level
PHI 3164 Contemporary Ethical Theories 3 Units
PHI 3165 Contemporary Political Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 3395 Philosophy of Law 3 Units

Compulsory courses at the 4000 level
PHI 4164 Texts in Ethics and Political Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 4311 Problems in Contemporary Political Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 4312 Problems in Contemporary Ethics 3 Units

Optional courses
3 course units from:
  
  PHI 1101 Reasoning and Critical Thinking 3 Units
  PHI 1301 Philosophy: Ideas and Arguments 3 Units

3 course units from:
  
  PHI 1102 Moral Reasoning 3 Units
  PHI 1302 Philosophy: Themes and Texts 3 Units

3 optional course units in philosophy from list A or from:

PHI 3377 Continental Philosophy

PHI 3397 Origins of Analytic Philosophy
PHI 3398 Contemporary Analytic Philosophy
6 optional course units in philosophy from list B 6 Units
6 optional course units in philosophy from list C 6 Units
60 elective course units 60 Units
Total: 120 Units

The electives may be replaced by a combination of a Minor, Option(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units. Consult the Faculty of Arts website for more information.

List of optional courses

List A - History of Philosophy
PHI 3108 Texts in Modern Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 3370 Plato: The Philosopher as Poet, Lover, Dialectician and King 3 Units
PHI 3380 Aristotle. The Pursuit of Wisdom for its Own Sake 3 Units
PHI 3382 Kant and Critical Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 3386 Topics in 19th Century Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 3387 Philosophy of the Enlightenment 3 Units
PHI 4160 Greek Philosophical Texts 3 Units
PHI 4307 Texts in French Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 4385 Hegel and German Idealism 3 Units

List B - Metaphysics and Theory of Knowledge
PHI 3105 Phenomenology 3 Units
PHI 3125 Philosophy of Cognitive Science 3 Units
PHI 3170 Topics in Theory of Knowledge 3 Units
PHI 3171 Logic II 3 Units
PHI 3174 Topics in Metaphysics 3 Units
PHI 3390 Philosophical Logic 3 Units
PHI 3391 Philosophy of Language 3 Units
PHI 3396 Philosophy of the Social Sciences 3 Units
PHI 4308 Texts in American Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 4309 Wittgenstein 3 Units

List C - Ethics and Political Philosophy
PHI 2385 Ethical Questions 3 Units
PHI 2390 Philosophy of Feminism and Gender 3 Units
PHI 2393 Philosophy of Culture 3 Units
PHI 2394 Scientific Thought and Social Values 3 Units
PHI 2396 Bioethics 3 Units
PHI 2397 Business Ethics 3 Units
PHI 2398 Environmental Ethics 3 Units
PHI 2399 Questions in Political Philosophy 3 Units
PHI 3164 Contemporary Ethical Theories 3 Units
PHI 3165 Contemporary Political Philosophy 3 Units

1 This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.