JOINT HONOURS BA IN PHILOSOPHY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Philosophy

Since it deals mainly with issues that have no simple solutions, philosophy emphasizes the exchange of ideas and debate, and thus cultivates an appetite for deep and serious reflection. By reading and discussing the works of the world’s great thinkers on fundamental topics like truth, justice, morality and existence, you sharpen your own ability to think clearly, critically and independently. The Department’s curriculum has a twin approach, historical and analytical, and covers political and social philosophy, ethics, philosophy of science, philosophy of language, philosophy of mind and logic.

The Department of Philosophy also runs a minor in applied ethics.

Political Science

Politics is omnipresent in our lives. Political science seeks to describe, analyze, understand and assess the principles and power relations that govern social life. It revolves as much around the structures and institutions that define these relations and principles as around the ideas and practices that drive them. It studies everything that influences political life and institutions (ideologies, groups, social movements, etc.) on a local, regional, national and international scale.

Our programs offer in-depth training in political science and encourage critical reflection on pivotal issues like citizenship, identity, political participation, globalization and development, governance and the state, and ethics and democracy. A discipline open to many theoretical and methodological approaches, political science constantly exchanges and shares with other fields. At the University of Ottawa’s School of Political Studies, you build your knowledge in four subfields of political science: political thought, Canadian and Quebec politics, comparative politics, and international relations and global politics.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2019-2020 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

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Total: 12 Units

Philosophy (42 course units)

Compulsory Courses

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Optional Courses

18 optional course units in philosophy (PHI) at the 3000 or 4000 level | 18 Units

Political Science (48 course units)

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3 course units from: 3 Units

3 course units from the Canadian Politics group: 3 Units

POL 3159 Indigenous Politics in Canada
POL 3171 Immigration, Multiculturalism and Citizenship in Canada and Quebec
POL 3172 Political Participation and Mobilization in Canada
POL 3174 Federalism
POL 4134 Law, Politics, and the Constitution in Canada
POL 4150 Electoral Systems and Political Parties
POL 4154 Parliamentary Government in Canada
POL 4162 Health Politics and Policy in Canada

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**Optional Courses**

3 optional course units in political science (POL) 3 Units

6 optional course units in political science (POL) at the 4000 level 6 Units

Total: 90 Units

**Elective Courses** 2

18 elective course units 18 Units

Total: 18 Units

Note(s)

1. This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.
2. The electives may be replaced by a combination of Option(s) ([http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27](http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27)), and/or elective units.