MINOR IN 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.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

The table below includes only discipline-specific courses. Please refer to the Academic Regulations (https://www.uottawa.ca/about-us/policies-regulations/academic-regulations/b-2-program-studies/) for information on including a minor in your degree.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2021-2022 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

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

3 course units from: 3 Units
- PHI 1102 Moral Reasoning
- PHI 1103 Fundamental Philosophical Questions
- PHI 1104 Great Philosophers
- PHI 1302 Philosophy: Themes and Texts

6 course units from: 6 Units
- PHI 2170 Logic I
- PHI 2174 Ethics
- PHI 2183 Political Philosophy
- PHI 2380 Greek Philosophy
- PHI 2382 Medieval Philosophy
- PHI 2383 Modern Philosophy
- PHI 3170 Theory of Knowledge
- PHI 3174 Topics in Metaphysics
- PHI 3377 Continental Philosophy
- PHI 3398 Analytic Philosophy

18 optional course units in philosophy (PHI) 18 Units

Total: 30 Units

Note(s)

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At least 6 course units in philosophy (PHI) must be at the 3000 or 4000 level.