Philosophy Major Programs

Creighton University Department of Philosophy

The Creighton University Department of Philosophy is committed to teaching and scholarship in both the history and problems of philosophy: students must be educated in both in order to grasp the traditions and complexities of their world. Students may complete the B. A., Major in Philosophy, program with or without a specialization in ethics. Students can apply for admission to the Philosophy Major or the Philosophy Major with Specialization in Ethics through the Creighton College of Arts & Sciences web page. Upon completion of the major program, all students will fulfill each of the following learning objectives:

1. **Philosophical Knowledge**
   a. Knowledge of the History of Philosophy: Students will analyze and evaluate the ideas and arguments of some major philosophers of the past in the context of the history of philosophy in which those ideas and arguments developed.
   b. Knowledge of the Problems of Philosophy: Students will analyze and evaluate contrasting approaches to some fundamental problems in philosophy.

2. **Philosophical Skills**: Students will formulate and defend a position on a philosophical issue on their own.

3. **Philosophical Virtues**: Students will express the virtues of humility, respectfulness, good judgment, courage and perseverance in their written work.

**B. A., Major in Philosophy (36 credits)**

ONE of the following Philosophical Ideas courses:

- PHL 110 Philosophical Ideas: Reality, Knowledge, and the Good Life
- PHL 111 Philosophical Ideas: Law
- PHL 112 Philosophical Ideas: Foundations of the Sciences
- PHL 113 Philosophical Ideas: Nature, Time, and God
- PHL 118 Philosophical Ideas: Wisdom

ONE of the following Ethics courses:

- PHL 270 Philosophical Ethics
- PHL 271 Philosophical Ethics: Cortina Community
- PHL 272 Philosophical Ethics: Poverty
- PHL 275 Philosophical Ethics: Energy and Environment

ALL of the following philosophy courses:

- PHL 320 God and Persons: Philosophical Reflections
- PHL 492 Senior Seminar for Majors

ONE of the following logic courses:

- PHL 201 Introduction to Logic
- PHL 312 Symbolic Logic

TWO of the following history of philosophy courses:

- PHL 351 Introduction to Chinese Philosophy
- PHL 367 American Philosophy
- PHL 370 History of Classical Greek Philosophy
- PHL 371 History of Hellenistic Philosophy
- PHL 372 History of Medieval Philosophy
- PHL 373 History of Modern Philosophy
- PHL 374 History of 19th-Century Philosophy

TWO of the following problems of philosophy courses:

- PHL 321 Epistemology
- PHL 331 Moral Philosophy
- PHL 334 Philosophy of the Natural Sciences

**B. A., Major in Philosophy with Specialization in Ethics (36 credits)**

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PHL 342  Metaphysics
PHL 358  Social and Political Philosophy
PHL 422  Aesthetics
PHL 424  Philosophy of Mind

9 additional hours of PHL courses numbered 300 or above, no more than 3 hours of which may be cross-listed as SRP.

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PHL 358  Social and Political Philosophy
PHL 422  Aesthetics
PHL 424  Philosophy of Mind

THREE of the following ethics courses:
PHL 317  Philosophy of Sport
PHL 332  World Philosophy
PHL 343  Ethics and the Professions
PHL 348  Philosophy of Feminism
PHL 354  Environmental Ethics
PHL 355  Science, Technology, and Values
PHL 356  Philosophy of Peace and War
PHL 358  Social and Political Philosophy
PHL 359  History of Ethics
PHL 360  History of Medieval Ethics
PHL 365  Classics of Political Thought
PHL 368  Moral Psychology
PHL 390  Philosophy of Law
PHL 435  Literature, Philosophy, and Economics
PHL 453  Ethics and Public Policy
PHL 455  Health Care, Society, and Values
PHL 456  Public Health Ethics
PHL 457  Biomedical Ethics
PHL 482  Race in America

NOTE: No more than 3 hours of courses cross-listed as SRP may be counted toward this major program of study.