

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

- 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.
- 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

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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 435 Literature, Philosophy, and Economics
PHL 440 Legal Philosophy
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.