

B.A. IN PHILOSOPHY

Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (https://catalog.wcupa.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)		
Academic Foundations		
	First Year Experience requirement	4
	English Composition requirement	6-7
	Mathematics requirement	3-4
	Interdisciplinary requirement	3
	Diverse Communities requirement	3
	Ethics requirement	3
Distributed Disciplinary Foundations		
	Science requirement	6-8
	Behavioral & Social Science requirement	6
	Humanities requirement	6
	Arts requirement	3
ADDITIONAL BACCALAUREATE REQUIREMENTS (https://catalog.wcupa.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/)		
University Requirements		
	Writing Emphasis requirement	9
	Speaking Emphasis requirement	9
Degree Requirements		
	Language/Culture requirement	0-15
	Demonstrating language proficiency through the intermediate level (202) or demonstrating language proficiency through the elementary II (102) level of a language and further acquiring a cultural foundation.	
	Capstone requirement	1-15
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS		
Required Courses ¹		
PHI 190	Logic ¹	3
PHI 270	History of Ancient Philosophy ¹	3
PHI 272	History of Modern Philosophy ¹	3
PHI 355	Political Philosophy	3
PHI 412	Ethical Theories	3
	Choose one of the following philosophy courses:	3
	PHI 204 Yoga, Karma, and Buddha	
	PHI 205 Yin-Yang, Dao, and Zen	
	PHI/WOS 405 Feminist Theory	
Capstone Requirement		
PHI 499	Philosophical Concepts and Systems ³	3
Philosophy Electives ²		
	Select 3 PHI elective courses.	9
Electives		
	Select 18-33 credits in electives to reach the required 120 credits for the B.A.	18-33
Total Minimum Credits Required		120

¹ 100- and 200-level courses must be passed with a grade of C or better.

² Cannot use the following Religious Studies courses to fulfill these electives: PHI 102, PHI 130, PHI 206, PHI 220, PHI 310, or PHI 390.

³ This course fulfills the Capstone requirement.

Accelerated B.A. in Philosophy to M.A. in Philosophy Program

B.A. in Philosophy students are required to take 30 credits of major requirements and philosophy electives. To be considered for the accelerated program, students must have completed 75 credits with a minimum of 18 philosophy credits. Students must have earned at least a B in all philosophy courses, and must provide one letter of recommendation from a WCU philosophy faculty member. Students in the accelerated BA/MA program will fulfill the 30 credits of the undergraduate major with up to 12 graduate credits. Options are indicated below.

Code	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
PHI 190	Logic	3
	or PHI 536 Symbolic Logic	
PHI 412	Ethical Theories	3
	or PHI 512 Ethical Theories	
PHI 501	Graduate Proseminar (Required. Offered only in the fall. This course must be taken in the first fall term in the accelerated program.)	3
	You may choose the following course for the non-Western canon B.A. requirement (not to be confused with Gen Ed Diverse Communities course) if you have not taken PHI 204, PHI 205 or PHI 405:	3
	PHI 531 Asian Philosophy	
Capstone Requirement		
PHI 499	Philosophical Concepts and Systems	3
	or PHI 599	
Electives (not to exceed 12 graduate level credits, including above):		
	Choose from the following:	9
	PHI 513 Aesthetic Theories	
	PHI 514 Philosophy of Religion	
	PHI 515 Existentialism	
	PHI 520 Philosophy of Mind	
	PHI 521 Philosophy of Law	
	PHI 522 Philosophy of Science	
	PHI 525 Epistemology	
	PHI 536 Symbolic Logic (unless used above)	
	PHI 551 Religion and Ecology	
	PHI 581 Philosophy of Human Rights	

Sample Course Plan

To track their individual degree progress, students are advised to access their Degree Audit via RamPortal regularly. For more information, visit the Degree Audit FAQ webpage (<https://www.wcupa.edu/academicEnterpriseSystems/student-system-modernization/degree-audit-faqs.aspx>).

The following is a sample suggested course sequence for this program; course offerings and availability are not guaranteed. Students should consult their academic advisor with any questions.

Course	Title	Credits
Year One		
Fall		
PHI 100	Creating Meaning	3
	or World Philosophies	
	PHI 101	
WRT 120	Effective Writing I	3
FYE 100X	First Year Experience	4

Foreign Language 101	3	Free Elective	3
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3	Credits	12
Credits	16	Total Credits	121
Spring			
PHI 190 Logic	3		
MAT 103 Introduction to Mathematics	3		
WRT 2XX 200-Level WRT Course	3		
Foreign Language 102	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Credits	18		
Year Two			
Fall			
PHI 270 History of Ancient Philosophy	3		
PHI XXX Philosophy Elective	3		
Foreign Language 201 or Culture Cluster	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Credits	15		
Spring			
PHI 272 History of Modern Philosophy	3		
SPK 208 Public Speaking	3		
Foreign Language 202 or Culture Cluster	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Gen Ed Distributive Course	3		
Credits	15		
Year Three			
Fall			
PHI XXX Philosophy Elective	3		
Culture Cluster (if needed) or Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Credits	15		
Spring			
PHI 350 Philosophical Topics: 20th Century and Beyond	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Credits	15		
Year Four			
Fall			
PHI 412 Ethical Theories	3		
PHI XXX Philosophy Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		
Credits	15		
Spring			
PHI 499 Philosophical Concepts and Systems	3		
PHI XXX Philosophy Elective	3		
Free Elective	3		