Philosophy, BA

Honors in the Major

Students majoring in philosophy have the opportunity to graduate with honors in the major. In order to be admitted to the departmental honors program, a student must have taken and passed three courses required for the philosophy major. To graduate with honors in the major, students must complete the requirements for the major with a grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.40 in philosophy coursework and a University of Iowa cumulative GPA of at least 3.33. In addition, they must write an acceptable honors thesis on a significant topic in philosophy of interest to them; students must enroll in PHIL:4920 Research Practicum while working on their honors thesis. Contact the department's director of undergraduate studies for more information.

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university’s honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the philosophy major.