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Requirements

The Master of Arts program in philosophy requires a minimum of 30 s.h. of graduate credit and is offered without thesis. Students must earn a program grade-point average of at least 3.00

The MA in philosophy requires the following coursework.

Metaphysics and Epistemology

Course #	Title	Hours
Two of these (with	earned grades of B or higher):	
PHIL:4586	Topics in Metaphysics	3
PHIL:4587	Epistemology	3
PHIL:4588	Philosophy of Mind	3
PHIL:4589	Philosophy of Language	3
PHIL:4590	Foundations of Cognitive Science	3
PHIL:6300	Seminar: Philosophical Analysis	3
PHIL:6510	Seminar: Metaphysics	3
PHIL:6520	Seminar: Epistemology	3

Ancient and Medieval Philosophy and Modern Philosophy

Course #	Title	Hours	
Two of these (with	earned grades of B or higher):		
Ancient and Medieval Philosophy			
PHIL:4152	Plato	3	
PHIL:4153	Aristotle	3	
PHIL:6100	Seminar: Ancient Philosophy	3	
Modern Philosophy			
PHIL:4260	Spinoza and Leibniz	3	
PHIL:4266	Kant	3	
PHIL:4377	Wittgenstein	3	
PHIL:6200	Seminar: Modern Philosophy	3	

Logic, Philosophy of Science, and Philosophy of Mathematics

Course #	Title	Hours
One of these (with higher):	n an earned grade of B or	
PHIL:4346	Frege and Russell	3
PHIL:4691	Mathematical Logic	3
PHIL:4692	Modal Logic	3
PHIL:4694	Philosophy of Science	3
PHIL:6620	Seminar: Philosophy of Science	3

Value Theory

Course #	Title	Hours
One of these (wit higher):	h an earned grade of B or	
PHIL:4375	Rawls's Political Philosophy	3
PHIL:4480	Analytic Ethics	3

PHIL:4481	Issues in Philosophy of Law	3
PHIL:4482	Early Modern Ethics	3
PHIL:4485	Political Philosophy	3
PHIL:6400	Seminar: Ethics	3

Students may be able to apply PHIL:4798 Topics in Philosophy or a research course toward one of the requirement areas. Contact the graduate studies director for more information.

Electives

All students must complete 12 s.h. in coursework numbered 4000 or above. They should consult the graduate studies director for approval of elective coursework.

Final Examination

Students must pass an oral final examination that will not exceed three hours in length. They are informed of at least one of the exam questions no later than one week before their exam. Students who fail may petition the MA examination committee for a second opportunity to pass the exam. The second exam must be scheduled no sooner than three months, nor later than one year, after the date of the examination.