Philosophy Major

Total Major hours: 32

Suggested hours per semester: 14-16

Major Academic Plan (MAP) for Catalog Year 2022-2023

The catalog is the final authority on CATC and major requirements; this is intended as a tool for planning purposes. Student course sequencing may vary depending on course offerings and other variables.

Fall Semester 1	Spring Semester 1	Summer 1
100 or 200 level PHIL course ²	PHIL 243: Intro to Logic (2) ³ OR PHIL 245: Logic ^{1,3}	Consider study, internship or research options –
CORE 101: First Year Seminar		Wheaton In summer
First Year CATC options-	First Year CATC Options	program, WIN
AHS 101: Wellness (2)	Language Core Competency	(HoneyRock), Wheaton in
■ COMM 101: Oral Comm (2)	BITH/ARCH 211: Old Testament	the Black Hills, non-major
ENGW 103: First-Year Writing		internship, summer
Language Core Competency or		research
Thematic Core Course		
Fall Semester 2	Spring Semester 2	Summer 2
PHIL 311: History of Philosophy	PHIL 312: History of Philosophy (Modern	
(Ancient and Medieval) ^{F,1, 4}	and Contemporary) ^{5,4} *	Consider study, internship or research options.
		research options.
Language Competency Course	Thematic Core Course	
Thematic Core Course	BITH 315: Christian Thought* or BITH 374:	
BITH/ARCH 213: New Testament	Systematic Theology ⁷ *	
Fall Semester 3	Spring Semester 3	Summer 3
PHIL 447 or 448: Advanced Topics in	PHIL 454 or 455: Historical Seminar (2-4) ⁶	
Philosophy (2-4) ⁶	Upper-division PHIL electives (4-8) ²	Consider study, internship or
Upper-division PHIL electives ²		research options.
Consider semester off campus or		
abroad – GPS		
	Thematic Core Course	
Advanced Integrative Seminar?*	Advanced Integrative Seminar?*	
Fall Semester 4	Spring Semester 4	Summer 4
Upper-division PHIL electives (2-8) ²	PHIL 494: Capstone (2) ^{2,5} *	
	Upper-division PHIL electives (2-8) ²	
Thematic Core Course		
Complete CATC Coursework	Complete CATC Coursework	

Notes or Special Guidance for Majors:

^{*}Course has prerequisite

^F Fall only course

^S Spring only course

[#] Offered every other year

- ¹ Philosophy courses that meet the CATC Thematic Core tags: PHIL 311 (HP, PI), PHIL 245 (AAQR). Many 100 and 200 level elective courses carry Thematic Core tags. A maximum of 3 Thematic Core tags can be counted both for the major and CATC requirements.
- ² 10-16 elective hours required. First-Year students are advised to take a 100 or 200 level Philosophy course their first semester. At least 20 of the 32 hours total hours in the Philosophy major must be taken at the 300-400 level.
- ³ Students can choose to take the 2-credit PHIL 243 (Intro to Logic) or 4-credit PHIL 245 (Logic) to meet the requirement. PHIL 243 is the first half of the PHIL 245 class, and both are offered every semester.
- ⁴ PHIL 311 and 312 (History of Philosophy) do not have to be taken in order.
- ⁵ PHIL 494 (Capstone) is offered in both fall and spring semesters and should be taken in the senior year.
- ⁶ Full philosophy majors are required to take at least one PHIL 454 or 455 (Historical Seminar) AND at least one PHIL 447 or 448 (Advanced Topics).
- ⁷ Philosophy majors can take BITH 374: Systematic Theology instead of BITH 315: Christian Thought to meet the CATC Shared Core requirement.
- -The Philosophy major is flexible, so students are encouraged to join at any time. Faculty advisors are available to assist students who join the major after their first semester or year.

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