

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR (BA)

Department website (<https://www.uwp.edu/learn/programs/philosophymajor.cfm>)

College: College of Social Sciences & Professional Studies

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the main concepts and theories of philosophy.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of the views of some historically important philosophers.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of the extent to which arguments and conclusions are supported by evidence.
4. Display intellectual openness by approaching topics that involve disparate views in a spirit of philosophical inquiry.

Requirements for the Philosophy Major

- At least 15 credits of upper-level courses in the major must be completed at UW-Parkside. PHIL 499 Independent Study does not count toward these 15 credits.
- A total of no more than 6 credits of PHIL 499 Independent Study, will count toward the major.
- A grade of C-minus or higher is required in any course to be counted toward the major.
- A 2.50 or better GPA in courses counting toward the major is required. Not all philosophy courses taken need be counted toward the major.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
PHIL 201	Logic	3
PHIL 260/360	History of Philosophy: Ancient	3
PHIL 261/361	History of Philosophy: Early Modern	3
PHIL 275	Techniques of Philosophical Research	3
Required Courses Subtotal		12
Elective Courses		
Select two courses (with one at the 300 level) in two of the following three areas: ¹		12
<i>Ethics, Value Theory and Political Thought</i>		
PHIL 206	Introduction to Ethics	
PHIL 207	Classical Political Philosophy	
PHIL 213	Aesthetics	
PHIL 215	Contemporary Moral Problems	
PHIL 306	Modern Political Philosophy	
PHIL 307	Contemporary Political Thought	
PHIL 320	Value Theory	
PHIL 321	Politics, Law, and Society	
PHIL 328	Ethics in the Criminal Justice System	
PHIL 340	Bioethics	
PHIL 341	Business Ethics	
PHIL 342	Environmental Ethics	
<i>Metaphysics and Philosophy of Mind</i>		
PHIL 204	Reason and Reality	
PHIL 205	Philosophy of Religion	
PHIL 255	Topics in Continental Thought	
PHIL 305	Philosophical Analysis	

PHIL 315	Metaphysics	
PHIL 355	Topics in Continental Thought	
<i>Epistemology and Philosophy of Science</i>		
GSCI 102	Science and Pseudoscience	
PHIL 203	Truth, Knowledge and Belief	
PHIL 212/312	Philosophy of Science	
MATH/PHIL 303	Set Theory, Logic and Proof	
PHIL 305	Philosophical Analysis	
Elective Courses Subtotal		12
Additional Elective Courses		
Select twelve additional credits of PHIL courses		12
Additional Elective Courses Subtotal		12
Total Credits		36

¹ No course may be used to cover two areas at once. This requirement is a total of four courses with a minimum of two at the 300 level. The department will sometimes assign courses to different areas depending on their topics, and majors will be informed of such assignments in advance.

General University Degree Requirements (Bachelor's Degree)

In addition to individual program requirements, students must also fulfill the following requirements:

Requirement	Credits
Skills	7-8
General Education	36
Foreign Language**	6-8
Ethnic Diversity	3
Total	52-55

** Transfer students in sustainable management, and health information management and technology collaborative, online degree-completion programs, the business management online degree-completion program, and the flexible option degree-completion program will be exempt from the university's foreign language requirement. See appropriate academic section for further information.

Skills Requirement (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#skills>)

Code	Title	Credits
Reading and Writing		
ENGL 101	Composition and Reading	3
Computational Skills		
Select one of the following:		4-5
MATH 102	Quantitative Reasoning	
MATH 103	Elementary Statistics	
MATH 104	College Mathematics with Applications	
MATH 111	College Algebra I	
Total Credits		7-8

General Education (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#general>)

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Foreign Language (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#language>)

Ethnic Diversity (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#ethnic>)

Degree Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Minimum Total Credits	120
Upper Level Credits (300 level or above)	36
Residency	30

Cumulative Degree GPA: 2.0 minimum

Course	Title	Credits
Year 1		
Fall Semester		
MATH 102	Quantitative Reasoning	4
ENGL 100	Fundamentals of English	3
Introductory Language		4
COMM 107	Communication and the Human Condition	3
Credits		14
Spring Semester		
ENGL 101	Composition and Reading	3
COMM 105 or COMM 205	Public Speaking for the 21st Century or Oral Interpretation	3
COMM 108	Media and Society	3
Introductory Language		4
Credits		13
Total Credits		27