## UCF Degree Programs

### Philosophy (B.A.)

**College of Arts and Humanities**

**Department of Philosophy**

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The B.A. program in Philosophy aims to provide students with the theoretical skills and knowledge to engage with the complex issues of our time. It centers on the principles of knowledge, responsibility, and society, and it provides students with opportunities to investigate the connections between intellectual pursuits and moral and public virtue.

### Admission Requirements

- **None**

### Degree Requirements

- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Students must earn at least a “C” (2.0) in each required course.
- Co-op or internship credit cannot be used in this major without prior departmental approval.
- Students should consult with a departmental advisor.
- Departmental Residency Requirement consists of at least 18 semester hours of regularly scheduled 3000-4000 level courses taken from the UCF Philosophy Department.
- Courses designated in 1 (General Education Program) and 2 (Common Program Prerequisites) are usually completed in the first 60 hours.

#### 1. UCF General Education Program (GEP)

**A: Communication Foundations**

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**B: Cultural & Historical Foundations**

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#### 2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)

- None

#### 3. Core Requirements: Basic Level

**Core**

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1 To be completed before the end of Junior year as a prerequisite to enrollment in Senior courses.

**Select 2:**

- PHI 2101 Philosophical Reasoning or
- PHI 2107 Formal Logic I or
- PHI 2108 Critical Thinking or
- PHI 2647 Logic and Ethics or
- PHI 3131 Formal Logic II

**4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level**

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**5. Restricted Electives**

- Select six hours of approved courses in Philosophy or related areas, subject to approval by Departmental advisor.

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### Values and Society

**Select 2:**

- PHI 3670 Ethical Theory or
- PHI 3626 Advanced Ethics in Science and Technology or
- PHI 3401 Philosophy of Law or
- PHI 3600 Aesthetics or
- PHI 3123 Feminist Theories or
- PHI 3638 Ethical Issues in the 21st Century or
- PHI 3625 Virtual Ethics or
- PHI 4633 Ethics and Biological Science or
- PHI 3100 Freedom and Justice or
- PHI 3640 Environmental Ethics or
- PHI 4031 Environmental Philosophy or
- PHI 3701 Native American Philosophy or
- PHI 3805 Contemporary Aesthetics or
- PHI 3003 Philosophy of Love or
- PHI 4673 Medical Ethics or
- HUM 4823 Queer Theory in the Humanities

**Select 1:**

- PHI 3005 Philosophy of Mind or
- PHI 3790 African Philosophy

### Being and Knowing

**Select 2:**

- PHI 4500 Metaphysics or
- PHI 4341 Ways of Knowing or
- PHI 4300 Theories of Knowledge or
- PHI 3700 Philosophy of Religion or
- PHI 4400 Philosophy of Science or
- PHI 3320 Philosophy of Mind or
- PHI 3451 Philosophy of Psychology or
- PHI 4420 Philosophy of Social Science or
- PHI 3323 Minds and Machines: Philosophy of Cognitive Science or
- PHP 4782 Phenomenology or
- PHI 4221 Philosophy of Language

### Topics in Philosophy

**Select 1:**

- PHI 4804 Critical Theory or
- PHP 3783 Modernity as a Philosophical Problem or
- PHI 3750 The Problem of Evil or
- PHI 3720 Faith and Reason or
- PHI 3803 Philosophy and Creativity or
- REL 3111 Religion and Philosophy Through Film or
- PHP 3766 Existentialism or
- HUM 4330 Performance Theory or
- PHI 4935 Topics in Philosophy of Mind or
- PHP 4933 Key Concepts in Philosophy or
- PHP 4931 Key Figures in Philosophy

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### Statistics-Computers

Select a course from GEP C.2 list

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### D: Social Foundations

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- PHI 2101 Introduction to Philosophy

### E: Science Foundations

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### 3. Core Requirements: Basic Level

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- PHI 2101 Introduction to Philosophy

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6. Capstone Requirements
- None

7. Foreign Language Requirements

Admissions
- Met by graduation requirement.

Graduation
- Proficiency equivalent to one year of college instruction in a foreign language taught by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures or Judaic Studies. Standardized examinations for foreign languages may be used to meet the requirement. Majors who are contemplating graduate school should complete two years of a foreign language, preferably one functional in their area of proposed graduate interest.

8. Electives
- Select primarily from upper level courses after meeting with a departmental advisor. Courses may be outside the department.

9. Additional Requirements
- None

10. Required Minors
- None

11. Departmental Exit Requirements
- Earn a “C” (2.0) or better in each required course.
- Departmental Exit Exam in final semester, included in PHI 4938: Senior Research Seminar
- To avoid delaying graduation, you must request a review of requirements prior to registering for your last term.

Computer Competency met by one of the following:
- PHI 4970H Undergraduate Honors Thesis
- PHI 4938 Senior Research Seminar
- STA 1063C Basic Statistics Using Microsoft Excel

12. University Minimum Exit Requirements
- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

Total Semester Hours Required
- 120

Honors In Major
- Students considering graduate school in philosophy are strongly encouraged to take Honors in the Major.

Requirements are as follows:

Core Requirements 36 hrs
- Same requirements as for regular majors, but must include the following:
  PHI 2101 Formal Logic I 3 hrs

Upper Division Restricted Electives 6 hrs
- Same as requirement for regular majors

Honors Thesis
- PHI 4903H Honors Directed Reading I 3 hrs
- PHI 4970H Undergraduate Honors Thesis 3 hrs

Additional Requirements
- Application and admission through the Philosophy Honors Coordinator and the Burnett Honors College.
- Fulfill University requirements for Honors in the Major.
- Maintain UCF GPA of at least 3.2 and a Philosophy GPA of at least 3.5.
- Successful completion and oral defense of Honors thesis.
- Earn a “B” (3.0) or better in both of the following courses:
  PHI 4903H Honors Directed Reading I 3 hrs
  PHI 4970H Undergraduate Honors Thesis 3 hrs

Related Programs
- Humanities and Cultural Studies
- Religion and Cultural Studies

Certificates
- None

Related Minors
- Cognitive Sciences
- Environmental Studies
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- Women’s Studies

Advising Notes
- None

Transfer Notes
- Lower division courses do not substitute for upper division courses.
- Courses transferred from private and out-of-state schools must be evaluated for equivalency credit. The student must provide all supporting information.

Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses
- None

Plan of Study
- One of numerous possible plans of study. See program description for all requirements.

Freshman Year - Fall 16 hrs
- ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
- HUM 2210 Humanistic Tradition I 3 hrs
- MGF 1106 Finite Mathematics 3 hrs
- PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy 3 hrs
- SPN 1120C Elementary Spanish Language and Civilization I 4 hrs

Freshman Year - Spring 16 hrs
- ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs
- HUM 2230 Humanistic Tradition II 3 hrs
- STA 1063C Basic Statistics Using Microsoft Excel 3 hrs
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- SPN 1121C Elementary Spanish Language and Civilization II 4 hrs

Sophomore Year - Fall 15 hrs
- GEP 3 hrs
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Junior Year - Fall 15 hrs
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**Program Academic Learning Compacts**

- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at:
  
  [http://www.o eas.ucf.edu/alc/academic_learning_compacts.htm](http://www.o eas.ucf.edu/alc/academic_learning_compacts.htm)