DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES
Students completing the requirements for a B.A. in Philosophy will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of major philosophical issues and positions in the following fields:
   a. the history of ancient and modern philosophy;
   b. ethics (both theoretical and applied);
   c. metaphysics and epistemology.
2. Demonstrate the ability to:
   a. identify philosophical positions and arguments;
   b. clearly present philosophical positions and arguments;
   c. critically evaluate philosophical positions and arguments.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of formal logical systems, including those of sentential and quantificational logic.

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR
Degree: Bachelor of Arts

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR (120 Credits)
I. CORE CURRICULUM (34-41 Credits) .................................................................34-41

II. FRESHMAN GRADUATION REQUIREMENT (0-3 Credits)
   Minimum grade of C is required.
   UNIV 110 The First-Year Experience .................................................................3
   UNIV 110 is required for all new entering freshmen and for new transfer students with fewer than 12 transfer credit hours unless the transfer student has satisfactorily completed a college transition course.

III. FOUNDATION COURSES (9-15 Credits)*
   PHIL 101* Introduction to Philosophy or PHIL 102* Introduction to Ethics ........................................3
   PHIL 110 Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking ..............................................3
   PHIL 271* Philosophical Writing .............................................................................3
   Choose one course from one of the following disciplines not counted in the Core Curriculum: ENGL, GEOG, HIST, POLI, RELG, and WGST (3 Credits) ...............................3
   Choose one course from one of the following disciplines not counted in the Core Curriculum: ASTR, BIOL, CHEM, ECON, MATH, MSCI, PHYS, PSYC, and SOC (3 Credits) .................................................................3
   *Credits hours for courses taken as part of the Core Curriculum are not counted elsewhere in the major.

IV. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (27 Credits)
   History of Philosophy:
   PHIL 300 Ancient Philosophy ..............................................................................3
   PHIL 301 Modern Philosophy ..............................................................................3

   Logic, Epistemology, and Metaphysics:
   PHIL 321 Symbolic Logic ...................................................................................3
   Choose one from the following: (3 Credits) .......................................................3
   PHIL 306 20th Century Analytic Philosophy (3)
   PHIL 309 Philosophy of Mind (3)
   PHIL 340 Philosophy of Science (3)
   PHIL 419 Epistemology (3)
   PHIL 420 Metaphysics (3)
Ethics Requirement:
PHIL 311 Ethical Theory ...........................................................................................................3

Electives:
Choose 12 additional credit hours in Philosophy, 3 credit hours at or above
the 200 level (excluding PHIL 271 Philosophical Writing) and 9 credit
hours at or above the 300 level (12 Credits) .............................................................................12

V. COGNATE REQUIREMENTS (12 Credits) .................................................................................12
Students who do not choose to have a minor in another discipline must fulfill the cognate requirement.
Cognate courses are courses drawn from outside the major but are intended to support the major. Cognate
courses must be at the 300 level or above, must be related to the student's major, and must be approved by
the student's adviser. Courses for cognate credit may be drawn from one or more departments. A grade of C
or better is required in all cognate courses.

VI. ELECTIVES (22-35) ................................................................................................................22-35

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED .................................................................................................120

A grade of C or better is required in each Philosophy course to be applied toward the major or minor.