

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN PHILOSOPHY

COURSE CATALOG



Department of Humanities
College of Arts and Sciences
University of the Philippines Los Baños

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Common to all programs

1. Articulate and discuss the latest developments in their specific field of practice and engage in life-long learning
2. Effectively communicate orally and in writing using both English and Filipino languages
3. Work effectively and independently in multi-disciplinary and multi-cultural teams
4. Act in recognition of professional, social, and ethical responsibilities
5. Demonstrate professional, social and ethical responsibility, especially in practicing intellectual property rights and sustainable development
6. Preserve and promote "*Filipino historical and cultural heritage*" (based on RA 7722)

Common to the discipline (social science/physical science etc)

7. Demonstrate breadth and depth of understanding of the core areas of philosophy.
8. Apply critical and problem solving skills using the various methods of philosophy.
9. Analyze philosophical texts and assess the arguments they contain.
10. Carry out basic logical and linguistic analysis of arguments.
11. Communicate new ideas and critiques of ideas relevant to philosophy to other philosophy scholars, decision makers, and the public.
12. Do comparative analysis of philosophical schools of thought.
13. Evaluate critically popular belief on philosophical topics.

Specific to the program

14. Gain mastery in the core areas of philosophy: philosophy of language, logic, epistemology, ethics, and philosophy of science
15. Specialize in applied philosophy courses such as biomedical ethics, feminist philosophy, philosophy of law, etc.
16. Demonstrate skills in generalization, abstraction, and argumentation.
17. Articulate the concept of Filipino philosophy.
18. Apply principles and methods from philosophy to allied fields.
19. Evaluate critically current local social issues.

Specific to the University of the Philippines

20. Lead with honor and excellence in public service and in fields of practice

LIST OF COURSES

I. GENERAL EDUCATION (GE COURSES) (27 UNITS)

Required (18 units)

1. KAS 1. Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas
2. ARTS 1. Critical Perspectives in the Arts
3. COMM 10. Critical Perspectives in Communication
4. ETHICS 1. Ethics and Moral Reasoning in Everyday Life
5. STS 1. Science, Technology, and Society
6. PI 10. The Life and Works of Jose Rizal

Elective (9 units)

1. MATH 10. Mathematics, Culture and Society
2. PHILARTS1. Philippine Arts and Culture
3. SAS 1. Self and Society
4. SCIENCE 10. Probing the Physical World
5. SCIENCE 11. Living System: Concepts and Dynamics
6. WIKA 1. Wika, Kultura at Lipunan
7. SOSOC 3. Exploring Gender and Sexuality
8. HUM 3. Reading Film, TV and the Internet
9. PHLO 1. Understanding Philosophy
10. PS 21. Wika, Panitikan, at Kultura sa Ilalim ng Batas Militar sa Pilipinas
11. KAS4. Ang Kababaihan sa Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas

II. MAJOR COURSES (63 UNITS)

1. PHLO 11. Fundamental Approaches to Philosophy
Philosophy as a subject and as an academic discipline in the context of the Analytic and Continental traditions.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 1, 2
2. PHLO 12. Logic (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Introduction to logical methods and principles.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 1, 2
3. PHLO 110. Ancient Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Major philosophical ideas from pre-Socratics to the neo-Platonist.
Prerequisite: PHLO 11
Semester/s offered: 1
4. PHLO 111. Medieval Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Major philosophical ideas from Augustine to William of Ockham.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 2
5. PHLO 112. Modern Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Major philosophical ideas from rationalists to the German and British idealists.

- Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1
6. PHLO 113. Contemporary Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Major philosophical ideas from the logical positivists to the present.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 2
 7. PHLO 120. Philosophical Reasoning (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Methods and techniques as applied to philosophical problems.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 2
 8. PHLO 150. Epistemology (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Problems concerning the sources, nature, and validation of knowledge.
Prerequisite: PHLO 11
Semester/s offered: 2
 9. PHLO 160. Philosophy of Science (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Nature of scientific inquiry; problems of demarcation, explanation, prediction, concept formation and validation.
Prerequisite: COI, Senior standing
Semester/s offered: 2
 10. PHLO 171. Ethics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Problems and theories of moral values.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 2
 11. PHLO 173. Practical Ethics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Moral issues in practical situations and the application of ethical theories
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 1
 12. PHLO 174. Biomedical Ethics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Moral issues in medicine and the biological sciences.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 1
 13. PHLO 176. Social And Political Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Problems and theories concerning man, society, and the state.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 1
 14. PHLO 178. Environmental Ethics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
An ethical examination of environmental issues.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1

15. PHLO 181. Aesthetics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Theories of aesthetics, experience, and values.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1
16. PHLO 182. Philosophy and Semiotics (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Application of philosophical methods in semiotics.
Prerequisite: PHLO 120 or COI
Semester/s offered: 2
17. PHLO 184. Feminist Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Fundamental feminist philosophies and women issues.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 2
18. PHLO 185. Critical Perspectives in Filipino Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
A discourse on the foundations of Filipino Philosophy.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 2
19. PHLO 195. Philosophy Of Language (3 units, 3 hrs class)
A survey of the major controversies in the philosophy of language.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 1
20. PHLO 197. Philosophic Problems (3 units, 3 hrs class)
An in-depth study of the basic problems in the various areas of philosophy.
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1
21. SPEC. Reading in Speculative Thought (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Modern man's heritage in speculative thought and philosophic method. Selected works.
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 2

III. PHILOSOPHY ELECTIVES (12 UNITS)

1. PHLO 100. Mathematical Logic I (3 units, 3 hrs class)
A formalization of propositional and first-order predicated logic; extensions of first-order predicate logic and proofs of some properties of these systems.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 2
2. PHLO 126. Chinese Philosophy (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Philosophies of China from Confucius to Hu Shih.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 2

3. PHLO 151. Intellectual Vices (3units, 3 hrs class)
Analysis of intellectual character traits that obstruct knowledge
Prerequisite: none
Semester/s offered: 1, 2
4. PHLO 172. Philosophy Of Religion (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Nature of religious experience, language, and knowledge.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 2
5. PHLO 175. Philosophy Of Law (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Theories on the nature of law and legal reasoning, as well as issues on the relationship between law, morality, and society.
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 2
6. PHLO 183. Philosophy for Children (3 units, 3 hrs class)
Exploring the history, developments, and debates on Philosophy for Children as an educational and a philosophical movement
Prerequisite: None
Semester/s offered: 1, 2

IV. UNDERGRADUATE THESIS (Thesis option)

PHLO 200. UNDERGRADUATE THESIS (6 units)
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1, 2, M

V. SPECIAL PROBLEM (SP option)

PHLO 190. SPECIAL PROBLEM (6 units)
Prerequisite: COI
Semester/s offered: 1, 2

VI. SOCIAL SCIENCE ELECTIVE (3 UNITS)

ECON 11. GENERAL ECONOMICS
POSC 10. PRINCIPLES OF GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

VII. SPECIALIZATION COURSES (9 UNITS)

Electives in one discipline other than Philosophy

VIII. FREE ELECTIVES (12 UNITS)

Any 3-unit course within UP system

IX. HUMAN KINETICS (8 units, non-credit courses with numerical grading)

Four courses (one HK 11 and three HK 12/13)

1. HK 11. Wellness and Basic Injury Management
2. HK 12/13. Human Kinetics Activities/Advanced Human Kinetics Activities

X. NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM (6 units, non-credit courses with numerical grading)

Two courses (one NSTP 1 and one NSTP 2; for NSTP 2, students can choose from Literacy Training Service [LTS], Civil Welfare Training Service [CWTS], or Reserved Officers' Training Corps [ROTC])

1. NSTP 1. National Service Training Program I
2. NSTP 2. National Service Training Program II

TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS: 132