

PHILOSOPHY (BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, B.S.)

Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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General Studies

Students must complete General Studies courses (http://catalog.missouriwestern.edu/undergraduate/university-information/academic-standards-regulations/baccalaureate-degree/#bachelor-general-studies) 42-47

Core Requirements

PHL 219 or PHL 220	Reasoning and Argumentation Symbolic Logic	3
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PHL 230 or PHL 231 or PHL 232 or PHL 330	Ethics Healthcare Ethics Business Ethics Topics in Ethical Theory	3
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Select one course from the following: 3

PHL 301	Ancient Philosophy	
PHL 302	Medieval Philosophy	
PHL 304	Modern Philosophy	
PHL 305	Topics in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Philosophy	

PHL 308 or PHL 353	History and Philosophy of the Natural Sciences Philosophy of Biology	3
PHL 350 or PHL 370	Philosophy of Religion Selected Topics in Comparative Philosophy	3

Option Requirements

Select one of the following options:

Major in Philosophy

Religion Concentration

Second B.S. Degree¹

Completion of a second B.S. degree program²

¹ Prior completion or simultaneous completion of any second BS degree program.

² Student must have previously declared their primary major.

Major in Philosophy

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Select two additional courses from the following: 6

PHL 301	Ancient Philosophy	
PHL 302	Medieval Philosophy	
PHL 304	Modern Philosophy	
PHL 305	Topics in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Philosophy	

Select one course from the following value theory courses: 3

PHL 310	Political Theory	
PHL 312	Contemporary Political Philosophy	

PHL 325	Ethics of Environmental and Natural Resource Policy	
PHL 365	Selected Topics in Peace & Conflict Studies	
PHL 435	Foundations of Professional Ethics	
Select two courses in Philosophy, upper-division Religion, upper-division Humanities, or alternate courses approved by Philosophy faculty		6

A minimum of 15 credits hours in Philosophy courses numbered 300 or higher are required for the major.

Philosophy major programs regarding 'double majors': Students wishing to pursue both concentrations must complete a minimum of 45 hours, i.e. the Core (15 credit hours) + Concentration in Philosophy (15 credit hours) + Concentration in Religion (15 credit hours) with no course outside of core requirements counting for both concentrations. These 'double majors' also do not satisfy the 'second major' requirement for the BS.

Religion Concentration Option

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Select two courses from the following: 6

REL 250	Religions of East Asia and Oceania	
REL 251	Religions of the West	
REL 252	Religions of South Asia and Africa	

Select one course from the following: 3

REL 360	Selected Topics in Religion	
REL 361	War, Peace, & Religion	
REL 365	Selected Topics in Peace & Conflict Studies	

Select one course from the following: 3

REL 345	Religion & Society	
REL 350	Philosophy of Religion	

Plus one additional course chosen from the following list:

GEO 310	Geography of Asia	
HIS 334	Selected Topics in Ancient History	
HIS 335	Medieval Europe	
HIS 336	The Crusades	
HIS 390	Heresy, Witchcraft, and Magic in Pre-Modern Europe	
PSY 260	Cross-Cultural Psychology	
PSY 270	Psychology of Transpersonal and Spiritual Experience	

SWK 365	Death And Dying	
SOC 200	Introduction to Archaeology	
SOC 325	World of Islam: People, Cultures & Societies	

Any additional course as approved by Religion faculty

Note: A minimum of 15 credits hours in Philosophy and/or Religion courses numbered 300 or higher are required for the major.

Program Graduation Requirements

- Earn a grade of C or higher in all major coursework.
- Earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and a major GPA of at least 2.0.

University Graduation Requirements

1. Earn a minimum of 120 credit hours (100 level and higher, maximum of 6 CED credit hours applicable).
2. Earn a minimum of 30 credit hours in upper-division courses.
Lower-division transfer courses accepted as meeting upper-division departmental course requirements cannot be used to fulfill this requirement.
3. Earn 30 of the last 45 credit hours at MWSU in institutional coursework (exclusive of credit by examination).
4. Participate in required departmental and campus wide assessments.
5. Fulfill the Missouri Constitution requirement.
6. Successfully pass the Missouri Higher Education Civics Achievement exam.