

# PHILOSOPHY (PHL)

## PHL 210 Introduction to Philosophy Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring.

**Course Description:** Survey of the origins and development of philosophical thought focusing on texts selected from the classical, medieval, modern and contemporary periods.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 100; Introduction to Philosophy (attribute MO58)



## PHL 219 Reasoning and Argumentation Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Course Description:** Introduction to the skills necessary to construct and evaluate deductive and inductive arguments for use in a variety of disciplines, professions and everyday life. Topics include identifying valid forms of arguments, formal and informal methods of evaluation and the use of these skills when reading and writing.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 101; Introduction to Logic (attribute MO58)



## PHL 220 Symbolic Logic Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** Introduction to a symbolic language for representing the structure of valid arguments. Introduces formal rules for demonstrating the validity of arguments. Covers natural deduction for sentential and predicate calculus. **Prerequisite(s):** ACT math score of 20 or higher or the equivalent.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 101; Introduction to Logic (attribute MO58)



## PHL 230 Ethics Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring.

**Course Description:** An introduction to ethical theory focusing on the major traditions of Western philosophical ethics and their practical application to contemporary moral issues.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 102; Introduction to Ethics (attribute MO58)



## PHL 231 Healthcare Ethics Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring.

**Course Description:** An introduction to ethical theory focusing on the major traditions of Western philosophical ethics and their practical application to contemporary moral issues in healthcare.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 102; Introduction to Ethics (attribute MO58)



## PHL 232 Business Ethics Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring.

**Course Description:** An introduction to ethical theory focusing on the major traditions of Western philosophical ethics and their practical application to contemporary moral issues in business.

**CORE 42:** MOTR PHIL 102P; Introduction to Ethics- Business and Professional (attribute MO58)



## PHL 257 Theory and Criticism of Visual Culture Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Fall.

**Course Description:** A practical, experience-based multi-disciplinary introduction to contemporary and classic approaches to art theory and criticism. Same as ART 257. **Prerequisite(s):** ART 100 or ART 205 or CIN 100 or ENG 210 or ENG 220 or HUM 203 or HUM 204 or HUM 205 or MUS 101 or THR 113.

## PHL 308 History and Philosophy of the Natural Sciences Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Spring.

**Course Description:** A study of the history of the natural sciences with an emphasis on the philosophical analysis of these events. Same as CHE 308 and BIO 308. **Prerequisite(s):** Completion of General Studies Mathematics and Natural Sciences requirements.

## PHL 316 Philosophy of Law Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** This course will survey several of the central schools of thought in the philosophy of Anglo-American jurisprudence. To do this, we will consider five major questions: What is law? What, if any, connection is there between law and ethics? When should law be used to restrict the liberty of individuals? To what extent should democratic states permit civil disobedience? What justifies inflicting punishment on those who violate the law? Same as LAT 316. **Prerequisite(s):** Any previous philosophy course.

## PHL 325 Ethics of Environmental and Natural Resource Policy Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** A study of alternative theories of environmental ethics, the implications of these theories for natural resource and wildlife policy, and their application to some contemporary natural resource and wildlife management issues. **Prerequisite(s):** Any previous course in philosophy, religion, or humanities.

## PHL 330 Topics in Ethical Theory Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** Survey of major theoretical alternatives in western philosophical ethics with reference to contemporary trends in ethical theory. **Prerequisite(s):** Any previous course in philosophy, religion, or humanities.

## PHL 353 Philosophy of Biology Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** An introduction to current issues in the philosophy of biology such as the nature of biological organization, classification, and living systems and some of the problems that have arisen in the attempt to understand these complex systems. Same as BIO 353. **Prerequisite(s):** BIO 101 or BIO 105 or BIO 106.

## PHL 360 Selected Topics in Philosophy Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** Specialized course work focusing on individual figures, movements, recent trends or topics in philosophy. May be taken up to two times for credit with departmental approval and as long as the content varies significantly. **Prerequisite(s):** Any previous course in philosophy, religion, or humanities.

## PHL 365 Selected Topics in Peace and Conflict Studies Credits: 3

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** Specialized course work in interpersonal and/or international conflict studies. May be taken up to three times for credit as long as the content varies.

**PHL 435 Foundations of Professional Ethics    Credits: 3**

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** A study of ethical issues that arise in various professions. The course surveys ethical theories and their application to contemporary issues in professions as well as moral aspects of decision making. Each version of the course focuses on ethical issues in a different profession. These include but are not limited to ethics in leadership, healthcare, business, engineering, criminal justice and legal professions, and natural resource ethics. **Prerequisite(s):** Any previous course in philosophy.

**PHL 450 Independent Research/Project    Credits: 1-3**

**Typically Offered:** Departmental Discretion.

**Course Description:** Investigation of a research problem, project, or topic on an individual conference basis. Consent of departmental chairperson is required. Students are normally expected to discuss proposed work with PHL faculty two semesters before registration is anticipated. May be taken for up to 6 credit hours. **Prerequisite(s):** Departmental approval.