

# Philosophy (Minor)

The minor in Philosophy is designed to expose students to three fundamental areas of philosophy: history of philosophy, normative philosophy and contemporary discussion of issues in metaphysics and epistemology. It is a highly desirable minor because it reveals to employers, graduate schools, and professional schools a willingness to engage in theoretical reasoning.

Students can shape their minor in ways that complement their major fields of study. For example, science and engineering majors might include philosophy of science courses (PHI 340 Philosophy of Science and PHI 440 The Scientific Method) among their minor courses. Management students might include PHI 214 Issues in Business Ethics. No courses for the minor may be taken for S/U credit.

## Admissions and Certification of Minor

In both instances, students should contact the person listed below. To be admitted to the program, a student must have a GPA of at least 2.0. Application for admission to any University minor program is now available via MyPack Portal. Admission will be based upon the student's academic record, and in most cases no longer requires departmental review. The minor must be completed no later than the semester in which the student expects to graduate from their degree program. Certification should be completed no later than during the registration period for the student's final semester at NC State. See the Add a Minor (<https://studentservices.ncsu.edu/your-degree/coda-home/add-a-minor/>) page to apply.

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## Plan Requirements

- The minor consists of 15 hours of credit ( 5 courses) including 9 hours of required courses and 6 hours of elective courses.
- A grade of 'C-' or better will be required for all courses taken to fulfill the minor requirements.
- A maximum of TWO (2) courses may double-count between major departmental requirements and courses counting toward the minor.
- A maximum of TWO (2) courses may double-count between courses counting toward this minor and additional minors.
- Three (3) of the courses taken at NC State University must be at the 300-level or higher.

The department will determine whether courses which have been transferred from other institutions qualify for the minor. No more than two courses from other institutions may count toward the minor.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
History of Philosophy		3
PHI 300	Ancient Philosophy	
PHI 301	Early Modern Philosophy	
PHI 302	19th Century Philosophy	
PHI 401	Kant's Critique of Pure Reason	
Normative (Ethics) Philosophy		3
PHI 214	Issues in Business Ethics	
PHI 221	Contemporary Moral Issues	
PHI 309	Political Philosophy	
PHI 312	Philosophy of Law	
PHI 313	Ethical Problems in the Law	
PHI 319	Black Political Philosophy	
PHI 325	Bio-Medical Ethics	
PHI 375	Ethics	
PHI 376	History of Ethics	
PHI 420	Global Justice	
PHI 475	Ethical Theory	
Select three credit hours in another course other than one in the above categories (history of philosophy, normative philosophy) and excluding logic courses. <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Elective Courses</b>		6
Select six credits of PHI or LOG courses at the 200 level and above		
<b>Verify Requirement</b>		
At least nine (9) hours must be 300-level or higher. (p. 1)		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> PHI 205 Introduction to Philosophy and PHI 210 Puzzles and Paradoxes may not both be used toward the Minor.

## Verify Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
This is a verify requirement and may not require additional hours. Students can fulfill this requirement through other academic requirements.		
LOG/MA 335	Symbolic Logic	3
LOG 430	Varieties of Logic	3
LOG 435	Advanced Logic & Metamathematics	3
LOG 498	Special Topics in Logic	3
PHI 300	Ancient Philosophy	3
PHI 301	Early Modern Philosophy	3
PHI 303	Continental Philosophy After 1900	3
PHI 305	Philosophy of Religion	3
PHI 309	Political Philosophy	3
PHI 310	Existentialism	3
PHI 312	Philosophy of Law	3
PHI 313	Ethical Problems in the Law	3
PHI 319	Black Political Philosophy	3

PHI 320	Philosophy of Race	3
PHI 325	Bio-Medical Ethics	3
PHI 330	Metaphysics	3
PHI 331	Philosophy of Language	3
PHI 332	Philosophy of Psychology	3
PHI 333	Knowledge and Skepticism	3
PHI 340	Philosophy of Science	3
PHI 347	Neuroscience and Philosophy	3
PHI 375	Ethics	3
PHI 401	Kant's Critique of Pure Reason	3
PHI 420	Global Justice	3
PHI 425	Introduction to Cognitive Science	3
PHI 330	Metaphysics	3
PHI 331	Philosophy of Language	3
PHI 332	Philosophy of Psychology	3
PHI 333	Knowledge and Skepticism	3
PHI 340	Philosophy of Science	3
PHI 347	Neuroscience and Philosophy	3
PHI 375	Ethics	3
PHI 376	History of Ethics	3
PHI 401	Kant's Critique of Pure Reason	3
PHI 420	Global Justice	3
PHI 425	Introduction to Cognitive Science	3
PHI 440	The Scientific Method	3
PHI 447	Philosophy, Evolution and Human Nature	3
PHI 475	Ethical Theory	3
PHI 494	Research and Writing in Ethics	3
PHI 495	Research and Writing in History of Philosophy	3
PHI 496	Research and Writing in Contemporary Philosophy	3
PHI 497	Research and Writing in Logic, Representation and Reasoning	3
PHI 498	Special Topics in Philosophy	3
PSY 425	Introduction to Cognitive Science	3
STS 325	Bio-Medical Ethics	3