

# Major in Philosophy

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## University Core Curriculum Requirements

General Education Distribution Area	Cr. Hrs.
<b>Fine Arts (FA)*</b> 2 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: Art, CMT (Mass Media or Theatre), Music (includes Dance).	6
<b>Humanities (HU)*</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: CMT (Communication), English, Linguistics, Philosophy, Women's and Gender Studies, World Languages and Cultures, (Note: No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.)	9
<b>Behavioral/Social Sciences (SB)*</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: African & African American Studies, Anthropology, Computer Science, Economics, Geography & Environmental Studies, History, Justice Studies, Latino & Latin American Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work	9
<b>Natural Sciences (NS and NSL)**</b> 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study; one course must have a laboratory component (NSL): Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physics (Note: If an FYE ANTH that counts as Natural Science is taken, only one Biology course may be used for Natural Science).	9

### Engaged Learning Experiences

Students must complete, at Northeastern, three courses designated as Engaged Learning Experiences courses. One of the Engaged Learning Experiences courses must be at the 300-level, and one Engaged Learning Experiences course must be designated as "Boundary Crossing".

### Discipline Specific (ELE-DS)

These courses have pre-requisites that are specific courses within a program of study. Discipline Specific courses give students a deeper understanding of how knowledge is created and applied in their field.

### Boundary Crossing (ELE-X)

These are courses that cross disciplinary boundaries and/or cross boundaries through engagements outside the classroom or University allowing students to see how knowledge gained in one field might inform other fields or other aspects of society.

### Math/Quantitative Reasoning (MA)

1 Math course, that has intermediate Algebra as prerequisite OR is a course listed on the General Education Distributive Learning List of Approved Courses. Any 3 hour college level math course, beyond Intermediate Algebra, meets this requirement.

\* Majors in Fine Arts, Humanities or Social/Behavioral Sciences, may waive up to 6 credit hours of General Education requirements in the corresponding distribution area.

\*\* Majors in Natural Sciences may waive up to 9 credit hours of General Education requirements in the Natural Sciences distribution area.

Students should also be aware of all other university requirements to obtain a degree - NEIU requirements (<http://catalog.neiu.edu/graduation-requirements/bachelors-degree/>)

## Major in Philosophy for the Bachelor of Arts Degree (33 credit hours)

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Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
PHIL-201	Logic I	3
PHIL-311	Writing Intensive Program: Reasoning In Writing	3
PHIL-213	Ethics	3
History of Philosophy - 2 courses <sup>1</sup>		6
Contemporary Philosophy - 1 course <sup>2</sup>		3
PHIL 390's - Seminar in Philosophy - 1 course <sup>3</sup>		3
Additional PHIL electives - 4 courses		12
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>33</b>

<sup>1</sup> History of Philosophy courses include PHIL 300: History of Ancient Philosophy, PHIL 301: History of Medieval Philosophy, PHIL 302: History of Modern Philosophy, PHIL 390: Classical Political Theory, PHIL 391: Modern Political Theory.

<sup>2</sup> Contemporary Philosophy courses include PHIL 332: Contemporary Philosophy, PHIL 362: Philosophy of Law, PHIL 364: Critical Race Theory, PHIL 365: Environmental Ethics, PHIL 367: Post-Colonialism, PHIL 370: Rethinking Race and Gender, PHIL 373: Feminist Philosophy, PHIL 392: Contemporary Political Theory.

<sup>3</sup> One of the following: PHIL 393: Seminar in Ethics, PHIL 394: Seminar in Epistemology, PHIL 395: Seminar in Metaphysics, PHIL 396: Seminar in the History of Philosophy, PHIL 397: Seminar in Social and Political Philosophy.

This sample curricular map is provided as a suggestion to guide you in the planning of your progression for this major. This guide should not replace regular consultations with your program advisor. For specific recommendations of courses not identified, please consult your program advisor.

#### First Year

Term 1	Hours
PHIL-213	Ethics 3
General Education/FYE	3
General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3
Elective/Minor	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	
	<b>15</b>

Term 2	Hours
General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3
Elective/Minor	3
History of Philosophy Course	3
PHIL Elective	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	
	<b>15</b>

#### Second Year

Term 1	Hours
PHIL-201	Logic I 3
PHIL-311	Writing Intensive Program: Reasoning In Writing 3
General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3
Elective/Minor	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	
	<b>15</b>

Term 2	Hours
Elective/Minor	3
General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3
PHIL Elective	3
History of Philosophy Course	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	
	<b>15</b>

#### Third Year

Term 1	Hours
PHIL-332	Contemporary Philosophy 3
General Education Course	3
Elective/Minor	3

Elective/Minor	3
300-Level PHIL Elective	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	
PHIL Seminar Course	3
General Education Course	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>	
<b>Term 1</b>	
300-Level PHIL Elective	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Term 2</b>	
PHIL Seminar Course	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
Elective/Minor	3
<b>Term Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours:</b>	<b>120</b>