

# PHILOSOPHY (PHI)

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## **PHI-2010: Primer in Philosophy (3 hours)**

An introduction to the central areas of philosophy including metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, logic, philosophy of religion and political philosophy.

## **PHI-2110: Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (3 hours)**

A study of philosophical questions arising from religious belief.

## **PHI-2210: Introduction to Logic (3 hours)**

Elementary deductive and inductive logic with emphasis upon the use of logic in evaluating arguments.

## **PHI-2310: Social and Political Philosophy (3 hours)**

Central problems of social and political thought, with emphasis on political and social ideals such as justice, equality, the law, the basis of authority, rights and obligations. Cross-Listed: POS-2200. Prerequisite: C or higher in PHI-2010 or PHI-2110.

## **PHI-3110: Reason and Religion (3 hours)**

Analysis of central problems in the philosophy of religion including the problems of evil, traditional arguments for the existence of God, religious experience, religious language and reformed epistemology. Prerequisite: C or higher in PHI-2010 or PHI-2110.

## **PHI-3410: Aesthetics (3 hours)**

Traditional and modern approaches to the problem of aesthetics, literary criticism, music and art theory.

## **PHI-3610: Ethical Theory (3 hours)**

Critical analysis of the central moral systems in western philosophy including utilitarianism, the Kantian ethical tradition, the divine command theory and virtue ethics. Prerequisite: C or higher in PHI-2010 or PHI-2110.

## **PHI-4040: Classical and Medieval Political Theory (3 hours)**

An analysis of the major political theories of the classical and medieval periods. Includes works by Plato, Aristotle, the Roman Legalists, Augustine, Aquinas and Machiavelli. Cross listed: POS-4210.

## **PHI-4050: Modern Political Theory (3 hours)**

A comparative look into 20th-century philosophies and ideologies including liberalism, conservatism, nationalism, capitalism, socialism, communism, fascism, Nazism and the latter century theories. Cross listed: POS-4220.

## **PHI-4900: Senior Seminar in Philosophy (4 hours)**

Substantial research on a topic of the student's choice, culminating in the preparation and presentation of a research paper. Prerequisite: Instructor consent.

## **PHI-4910: Topics in Contemporary Philosophy (4 hours)**

Advanced seminar on topics of current interest in philosophy. Prerequisite: 6 hours in philosophy.

## **PHI-4950: Independent Study in Philosophy (1-6 hours)**