

University of Wyoming Sample Four-Year Degree Plan
Catalog Year: 2019-20

Philosophy, BA



This sample degree plan is a guide, to be used for planning in consultation with your academic advisor. Actual course sequence may vary by student. A ▲ symbol identifies courses that must be taken and passed during the suggested semester in order for a student to stay on track toward completing the degree program within four years.

Course Sequence	Course Prefix	Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours	Min Grade	Notes
			USP First-Year Seminar	3	C	FY
			USP Human Culture	3		H
			USP Quantitative Reasoning ²	3		Q
PHIL	1000		Introduction to Philosophy	3	C	
POLS	1000		American and Wyoming Government	3		V
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Freshman Spring Semester

			USP Communication 1	3	C	C1
			USP Physical & Natural World	3		PN
			A&S Core Diversity in the US	3		ASD
			Electives	6		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Sophomore Fall Semester

			USP Communication 2	3	C	C2
			USP Human Culture	3		H
			Electives	9		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Sophomore Spring Semester

			USP Physical & Natural World	3		PN
			A&S Core Global Awareness	3		ASG
			3000-level Philosophy Electives	6	C	
			Elective	3		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

This sample degree plan is a guide for course work in the major. • Course sequencing may need to be altered if ACT, SAT or Math Placement scores require a student to take pre-college courses before taking required math or English courses. • Not all courses are offered every semester and some electives may have prerequisites. Students should review course descriptions in the University Catalog and consult with their academic advisor to plan accordingly.

University of Wyoming requirements:

Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 to graduate. • Students must complete 42 hours of upper division (3000-level or above) coursework, 30 of which must be from the University of Wyoming. • Courses must be taken for a letter grade unless offered only for S/U. • University Studies Program (USP) Human Culture (H) and Physical & Natural World (PN) courses must be taken outside of the major subject, but can be cross-listed with the major.

College of Arts and Sciences requirements:

Students must take two "core" courses in addition to UW's University Studies Program requirements: Diversity in the United States (ASD) and Global Awareness (ASG). • No more than 60 hours in the major subject may be used toward the 120 credit hours required for graduation. • At least 30 hours in the major subject must be completed with a grade of C or better (the major may require more).

Philosophy Program notes:

A major in philosophy requires a minimum of 33 hours (11 courses) of philosophy. These 33 hours must include:

- Fifteen (15) hours (five courses) at the 3000-level or above.
- Nine (9) hours (three courses) at the 4000-level or above.
- Nine (9) hours (three courses) at any level.
- Only those philosophy courses in which a grade of C or better is earned may be counted toward the 33-hour requirement.

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Junior Fall Semester

			3000-level Philosophy Electives	6	C	
			Philosophy Distribution Area Course ¹	3	C	Core or elective
			Electives	6		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Junior Spring Semester

			USP Communication 3	3	C	C3
			Philosophy Distribution Area Courses (Upper Division) ¹	9	C	Core or elective
			Elective	3		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Senior Fall Semester

			3000-Level Philosophy Elective	3	C	
			4000-Level Philosophy Electives	6	C	
			Electives	6		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

Senior Spring Semester

			3000-Level Philosophy Elective	3	C	
			4000-Level Philosophy Elective	3	C	
			Philosophy Distribution Area Courses (Upper Division) ¹	6	C	Core or elective
			Upper Division Elective	3		
Credit hours subtotal:				15		

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 120

Philosophy Program notes continued:

¹ Distribution requirement: Students must choose three (3) of the four (4) distribution areas and take at least six (6) hours (two [2] courses) in each of the chosen areas, including at least one (1) core course in each chosen area. The distribution areas and courses are:

Metaphysics and epistemology: PHIL 2310 (Philosophy of Religion), PHIL 3440 (Philosophy of Mind), PHIL 4040 (Kant), PHIL 4120 (Philosophy and the 20th Century), PHIL 4190 (Philosophy of Language), PHIL 4440 (Topics in Philosophy of the Mind), PHIL 4510 (Theory of Knowledge), and PHIL 4560 (Metaphysics). Core Courses: PHIL 3510 (Introduction to Epistemology) and PHIL 3560 (Introduction to Metaphysics)

Ethics and philosophy of value: PHIL 2200 (Social and Political Philosophy), PHIL 2300 (Ethics in Practice), PHIL 2330 (Environmental Ethics), PHIL 2345 (Natural Resource Ethics), PHIL 4300 (Topics in Ethics) and PHIL 4340 (Issues in Environmental Ethics). Core Courses: PHIL 3250 (Global Justice), PHIL 3300 (Ethical Theory) and PHIL 3350 (History of Moral Philosophy)

Logic and philosophy/history of science: PHIL 2420 (Critical Thinking), PHIL 3500 (History of Science), PHIL 4140 (Topics in Philosophy of Science), and PHIL 4420 (Advanced Logic). Core Courses: PHIL 3140 (Philosophy of Science) and PHIL 3420 (Symbolic Logic)

History of philosophy: PHIL 2100 (The Greek Mind), PHIL 3220 (Existentialism and Phenomenology), PHIL 3320 (Eastern Thought), PHIL 4020 (Plato), PHIL 4030 (Aristotle), PHIL 4040 (Kant), PHIL 4120 (Philosophy and the 20th Century), PHIL 4110 (Figures in Contemporary Philosophy), and PHIL 4130 (Figures in Modern). Core Courses: PHIL 3100 (History of Modern Philosophy: The Rationalists), PHIL 3110 (History of Modern Philosophy: The Empiricists), and PHIL 3120 (Ancient Greek Philosophy)

² See the "Prerequisite and MPE Cut Score Reference Chart" on the Math Placement website for the most up-to-date math placement equivalencies: <http://www.uwyo.edu/mathstats/math-placement/>.