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| Fiscal Unit/Academic Org | Philosophy - D0575 |
| Administering College/Academic Group | Arts And Sciences |
| Co-administering College/Academic Group | |
| Semester Conversion Designation | Converted with minimal changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., sub-plan/specialization name changes, changes in electives and/or prerequisites, minimal changes in overall structure of program, minimal or no changes in program goals or content) |
| Current Program/Plan Name | Philosophy |
| Proposed Program/Plan Name | Philosophy |
| Program/Plan Code Abbreviation | PHILOS-BA |
| Current Degree Title | Bachelor of Arts |

Credit Hour Explanation

| Program credit hour requirements | | A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours) | B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours) | C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours) | D) Change in credit hours |
|---|---------|---|--|---|---------------------------|
| Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program | | 50 | 33.3 | 33 | 0.3 |
| Required credit hours offered by the unit | Minimum | 45 | 30.0 | 30 | 0.0 |
| | Maximum | 45 | 30.0 | 30 | 0.0 |
| Required credit hours offered outside of the unit | Minimum | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Maximum | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Required prerequisite credit hours not included above | Minimum | 5 | 3.3 | 3 | 0.3 |
| | Maximum | 5 | 3.3 | 3 | 0.3 |

Program Learning Goals

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

Program Learning Goals

- Students develop critical thinking about philosophy.
- Students read, think, and write about the history of philosophy.
- Students read, think, and write about contemporary philosophical topics.
- Students learn formal methods in logic.

Assessment

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal? Yes

Does the degree program or major have an assessment plan on file with the university Office of Academic Affairs? Yes

Summarize how the program's current quarter-based assessment practices will be modified, if necessary, to fit the semester calendar.

No modifications.

Program Specializations/Sub-Plans

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

Pre-Major

Does this Program have a Pre-Major? No

Attachments

- Philo.CL.SemCo.doc: A and H CL.

(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Williams, Valarie Lucille)

- Philosophy Major.pdf: Philosophy Major Program

(Program Proposal. Owner: O'Keeffe, Susan B)

Comments

- Combined Document:

Department Letter

Program Rationale

List of Courses and Curricular Map

Advising Sheets

Transition Policy *(by O'Keeffe, Susan B on 01/21/2011 10:05 AM)*

Workflow Information

| Status | User(s) | Date/Time | Step |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|------------------------|
| Submitted | O'Keeffe, Susan B | 01/24/2011 11:10 AM | Submitted for Approval |
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Lawrence Krissek, Professor of Earth Sciences
Faculty Chair, Committee on Curriculum and Instruc
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Dear Larry,

We are submitting the semester versions of the Department of Philosophy's undergraduate programs: BA in Philosophy and Minor in Philosophy. The semester degree proposals were reviewed by me at various stages, and reviewed and approved by a subdivision of the Arts and Humanities Disciplinary Advisory Panel on Curriculum during December 2010.

Bachelor of Philosophy: The BA in Philosophy was last revised by the department in 2006 after its program review. The quarter-system degree required 50 hours in the major with 45 credits in the major course work and 5 credits of pre-requisites, and the semester-system degree will require 33 credit hours of major course work and 3 credits of the same pre-requisite, Philosophy 2500. The most significant change in the major comes in the form of opening up its Historical Philosophy requirement to allow students greater choice on the major. This comes after several years of conversation in the department. They have also added a Gateway Seminar for their majors. The Transition Plan identified the individualist nature of advising that Philosophy has historically provided for its majors, and addresses how it will continue this practice in the future. Please note that the BA in Philosophy has an assessment plan on file with OAA, confirmed October 15, 2010.

Minor in Philosophy: The Minor in Philosophy has no major revisions to its programmatic structure. It is a direct course-to-course translation: 4 courses were required on quarters and 4 courses will be required on semesters. The department still maintains its requirement of expertise at various levels, including courses from the 2000-level to the 5000-level.

We are sending these programs forward for review and approval in the next stage of curricular review at the Arts and Sciences Committee on Curriculum and Instruction. The courses that are specific to all of the programs are listed under Philosophy in PACER and I will advance them along with the program forms. All programs from Philosophy have the approval of Arts and Humanities. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call or email me at 292-5727 or williams.1415@osu.edu.

Thank you for your consideration of these proposals,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Valarie Williams".

Valarie Williams

Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Arts and Humanities
Professor of Dance

January 20, 2010

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Dear Office of Academic Affairs,

The Department of Philosophy has completed its proposal for the semester versions of its programs: Bachelor of Arts Major, Minor, and Ph.D. In what follows, I describe the process that produced the attached program designs, the products of that process, and the plans the Department has developed for implementing the conversion.

Process

The Department charged its Undergraduate Committee with developing proposals for semester versions of its philosophy minor and major and its Graduate Committee with developing a proposal for a semester version of its Ph.D. program. The committees gathered information concerning the corresponding programs in a wide variety of peer and "aspirational peer" institutions. After reviewing the programs of other respected philosophy departments around the country, each committee brought forth to the entire Department concrete recommendations for semester versions of each of the three programs.

These proposals were discussed by the entire Department at departmental meetings on January 11, 2010, February 15, 2010, and April 5, 2010. (The Department meetings include two graduate students as voting members.) During the discussions at these meetings, multiple amendments were proposed and voted on and the resulting proposals were passed, in accordance with our Pattern of Administration, by an e-mail vote held from April 9 through April 16. The vote of the Department for each of the three programs was overwhelming: 16 in favor, one abstention, and no negative votes.

Programs

The Department has made minor revisions to each of its three degree programs continuously over the years. After our last program review in 2006, we considered and put into place a number of changes in our undergraduate major program and our Ph.D. program. As a result of the fact that we have continuously re-evaluated and adjusted our programs, the changes we concluded were necessary at this point were relatively minor. These are outlined below.

The Minor Program:

Quarters: We believe that, given the inherent interdisciplinary nature of philosophy, a philosophy minor can be an attractive complement to a very wide variety of major programs. As a result, we have designed the minor to be extremely flexible. This approach is maintained in the proposed semester minor program. Under the quarter system, students were required to take four philosophy courses (20 quarter hours) in philosophy at or above

the 200 level. Of these courses, at least two (10 quarter hours) had to be at or above the 300 level and, of these, at least one (5 quarter hours) had to be at or above the 400 level.

Semesters: Under the semester plan, where our undergraduate courses will be 3 semester hours each, students wishing to minor in Philosophy will still need four courses (12 semester hours) at or above the (equivalent) 2000 level. Of these four courses, at least two (6 semester hours) must be at or above the 3000 level. And of these, at least one (3 semester hours) must be at the 5000 level. This constitutes a slight increase in the level of the required courses, but no increase in the adjusted credit hours for completion of a philosophy minor.

The Major Program (B.A. in Philosophy):

Quarters: The requirements for a B.A. degree in philosophy are considerably more specific with respect to content. We require, as a prerequisite to the major, completion of a course in symbolic logic (Philosophy 250). The major itself consists of 9 courses (45 quarter hours) at or above the 200 level. Three of those courses (15 quarter hours) are in the history of philosophy (Philosophy 301-305) with Ancient Philosophy (301) being required. Three of the courses (15 quarter hours) must be in a category called ‘philosophical topics’, with Moral Philosophy (431) being required. In addition, at least two courses (10 quarter hours) must be at the 600 level.

Semesters: The basic structure of the philosophy Bachelor of Arts degree under semesters remains the same, with one minor adjustment and one important addition. Symbolic Logic (Philosophy 2500) will be a prerequisite to the major. Students will still be required to take three courses (9 semester hours) in the history of philosophy, but Ancient Philosophy (Philosophy 3210) will not be required. Instead, students may take any three of the specified courses in the history of philosophy. This change has been under discussion in the Department for nearly two decades; at this point, the Department has decided that there is no longer an adequate rationale for privileging Ancient Philosophy over the other historical periods covered in our series of courses in the history of philosophy. The philosophical topics requirement will remain the same: students are required to take Moral Philosophy (3300) and any two courses from a large list of alternatives for a total of 9 semester hours in this category. We will retain a “level requirement,” mandating that students have at least two courses (six semester hours) at the 5000 level. Students will also be required to take one further course in Philosophy at the 2xxx, 3xxx, 4xxx, or 5xxx level. The major requirements, themselves, comprise 30 semester hours.

The important addition is a “Gateway Seminar” (3000). This course (3 semester hours) is designed to provide philosophy majors with an intensive writing course early in their major career. Because it is a skills course, it will be taught in a small class format and the content will vary.

The Ph.D. Program:

Quarters: Under the quarter system, our Ph.D. program requires students to complete 120 quarter hours. We have two individual course requirements: Advanced Symbolic Logic (650) and a First-Year Seminar (700). In addition, we have both a distribution requirement and a requirement concerning the total number of courses/seminars a student must complete. Details of these requirements are in the attached documents.

Semesters: The Ph.D. program in Philosophy under semesters will reflect a minimal change in substance from our current Ph.D. program. The most significant change in the doctoral program requirements is a reduction in the total number of courses/seminars required from 16 to 14. This was done to reflect the fact that seminars are being redesigned to include more content under the 14-week semester term.

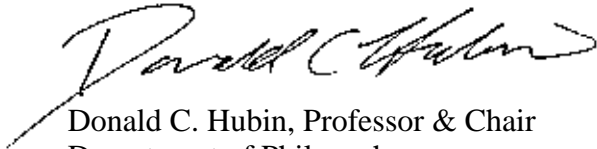
Implementation

The Department is committed to ensuring that the transition of our programs from the quarter system to the semester system takes place without impeding students' progress in the program. We believe that this goal is best achieved by working with students in the transitional years on an individual basis. The size of our program, and the fact that our programs do not rely on sequentially structured course requirements makes this approach not only feasible but the most appropriate.

The design of our degree programs under the semester system has been reviewed by the entire faculty with significant input from our graduate students. The attached proposals have the nearly-unanimous support of the Department and I join in supporting them.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald C. Hubin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Donald C. Hubin, Professor & Chair
Department of Philosophy
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Semester Conversion

B.A. Major in Philosophy

Department of Philosophy
Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Note: conversion with minimal changes

Program Requirements

Learning Goals:

- (1) Students develop critical thinking about philosophy.
- (2) Students read, think, and write about the history of philosophy.
- (3) Students read, think, and write about contemporary philosophical topics.
- (4) Students learn formal methods in logic.

Prerequisite:

(3cr.) PHIL 2500: Symbolic Logic

Major Requirements:

(3cr.) PHIL 3000: Gateway Seminar

(9cr.) Three of the following:

- (3cr.) PHIL 3210: History of Ancient Philosophy
- (3cr.) PHIL 3220: History of Medieval Philosophy
- (3cr.) PHIL 3230: History of 17th Century Philosophy
- (3cr.) PHIL 3240: History of 18th Century Philosophy
- (3cr.) PHIL 3250: History of 19th Century Philosophy
- (3cr.) PHIL 3261: Fundamental Concepts of Existentialism

(3cr.) PHIL 3300: Moral Philosophy

(6cr.) Two of the following:

- (3cr.) PHIL 3530: Philosophy of Logic
- (3cr.) PHIL 3600: Introduction to Philosophy of Language
- (3cr.) PHIL 3650: Philosophy of Science
- (3cr.) PHIL 3680: Sex and Death: Introduction to the Philosophy of Biology
- (3cr.) PHIL 3700: Introduction to Metaphysics
- (3cr.) PHIL 3750: Introduction to Theory of Knowledge
- (3cr.) PHIL 3800: Introduction to Philosophy of Mind
- (3cr.) PHIL 3810: Philosophy of Action
- (3cr.) PHIL 3820: Philosophy of Perception

(6cr.) Two PHIL 5xxx courses

(3cr.) One further Philosophy course at the 3xxx, 4xxx, or 5xxx level

For a total of 30 credit hours of required courses.

The Department requires for the B.A. in Philosophy that a minimum of 12 credit hours of the courses counting toward satisfying these requirements be completed at Ohio State University.

Philosophy Undergraduate Major Curriculum Map and List of Semester Courses for Major

| Required Courses | Course Number | Course Title | Students Develop Critical Thinking about Philosophy | Students Read, Think about, and Write about the History of Philosophy | Students Read, Think, and Write about Topics in Contemporary Philosophy | Students Learn Formal Methods in Logic |
|---------------------------|---------------|--|---|---|---|--|
| (prerequisite) | 2500 | Symbolic Logic | B | | | B |
| | 3000 | Gateway Seminar | B | | | |
| (three of these required) | 3210 | History of Ancient Philosophy | | I | | |
| | 3220 | History of Medieval Philosophy | | I | | |
| | 3230 | History of 17 th Century Philosophy | | I | | |
| | 3240 | History of 18 th Century Philosophy | | I | | |
| | 3250 | History of 19 th Century Philosophy | | I | | |
| | 3261 | Fundamental Concepts of Existentialism | | I | | |
| (required) | 3300 | Moral Philosophy | I | | I | |
| (two of these required) | 3530 | Philosophy of Logic | I | | I | I |
| | 3650 | Philosophy of Science | I | | I | |
| | 3680 | Sex and Death: Introduction to the Philosophy of Biology | I | | I | |
| | 3750 | Introduction to Theory of Knowledge | I | | I | |
| | 3700 | Introduction to Metaphysics | I | | I | |
| | 3810 | Philosophy of Action | I | | I | |
| | 3800 | Introduction to Philosophy of Mind | I | | I | |
| | 3820 | Philosophy of Perception | I | | I | |
| | 3600 | Introduction to Philosophy of Language | I | | I | |
| (two of these required) | 5193 | Individual Studies | A | A | A | A |
| | 5194 | Group Studies | A | A | A | A |
| | 5210 | Studies in Ancient Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5211 | Plato | A | A | | |
| | 5212 | Aristotle | A | A | | |
| | 5220 | Studies in Medieval Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5230 | Studies in 17 th Century Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5240 | Studies in 18 th Century Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5241 | Kant | A | A | | |

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| | 5250 | Studies in 19 th Century Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5260 | Studies in 20 th Century Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5261 | Existentialism and Phenomenology | A | A | | |
| | 5263 | American Philosophy | A | A | | |
| | 5300 | Advanced Moral Philosophy | A | | A | |
| | 5400 | Advanced Political and Social Philosophy | A | | A | |
| | 5410 | Advanced Philosophy of Law | A | | A | |
| | 5420 | Philosophical Topics in Feminist Theory | A | | A | |
| | 5450 | Advanced Aesthetic Theory | A | | A | |
| | 5460 | Philosophy in Literature | | | | |
| | 5500 | Advanced Symbolic Logic | A | | | A |
| | 5510 | Advanced Logical Theory | A | | | A |
| | 5520 | Inductive Logic and Probability Theory | A | | | A |
| | 5530 | Philosophy of Logic and Mathematics | A | | A | |
| | 5540 | Theory of Rational Choice | A | | A | A |
| | 5550 | Nonclassical Logic | A | | | A |
| | 5600 | Advanced Philosophy of Language | | | | |
| | 5650 | Advanced Philosophy of Science | A | | A | |
| | 5700 | Advanced Metaphysics | A | | A | |
| | 5737 | Proseminar in Cognitive Science | A | | A | |
| | 5750 | Advanced Theory of Knowledge | A | | A | |
| | 5797 | Study at a Foreign Institution | A | A | A | A |
| | 5800 | Advanced Philosophy of Mind | A | | A | |
| | 5830 | Advanced Philosophy of Cognitive Science | A | | A | |
| | 5840 | Introduction to Cognitive Science | A | | A | |
| | 5850 | Philosophy of Religion | A | | A | |
| | 5870 | Topics in Jewish Philosophy | A | A | A | |
| Elective Courses: Honors Program | Course Number | Course Title | Students Develop Critical Thinking about Philosophy | Students Read, Think, and Write about the History of Philosophy | Students Read, Think, and Write about Topics in Contemporary Philosophy | Students Learn Formal Methods in Logic |
| | 2450H | Honors Philosophical Problems in the Arts | I | | I | |
| | 2470H | Honors Philosophy of Film | I | | I | |

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|---------------------------|---------------|---|---|---|---|--|
| | 2900H | Freshman-Sophomore Proseminar | I | I | I | |
| | 3341H | Ethical Conflicts in Health Care Research, Policy, and Practice | I | I | I | |
| | 4900H | Junior-Senior Proseminar | A | A | A | |
| Elective Courses: General | Course Number | Course Title | Students Develop Critical Thinking about Philosophy | Students Read, Think, and Write about the History of Philosophy | Students Read, Think, and Write about Topics in Contemporary Philosophy | Students Learn Formal Methods in Logic |
| | 2120 | Asian Philosophies | I | I | | |
| | 2194 | Group Studies | I | I | I | I |
| | 2261 | Fundamental Concepts of Existentialism | | | | |
| | 2342 | Environmental Ethics | I | | I | |
| | 2400 | Political and Social Philosophy | I | | I | |
| | 2450 | Philosophical Problems in the Arts | I | | I | |
| | 2500 | Symbolic Logic | | | | I |
| | 2650 | Introduction to the Philosophy of Science | I | | I | |
| | 2660 | Metaphysics, Religion, and Magic in the Scientific Revolution | I | I | | |
| | 2860 | Science and Religion | I | | I | |
| | 3111 | Introduction to Jewish Philosophy | I | I | | |
| | 3260 | Movements in 20 th Century Philosophy | I | I | | |
| | 3262 | Contemporary Continental Thought | I | I | | |
| | 3351 | Judaism and Ethics | I | | I | |
| | 3410 | Philosophical Problems in the Law | I | | I | |
| | 3420 | Philosophical Perspectives on Issues of Gender | I | | I | |
| | 3440 | Theorizing Race | I | | I | |
| | 3870 | Jewish Mysticism | I | I | I | |

Total Required Hours: 30

Phil 2500; gateway seminar; three 3xxx history courses; three 3xxx systematic courses; two 5xxx courses, and one additional course at or above the 2xxx level

B = Beginner Level

I = Intermediate Level

A = Advanced Level

Note that, when a course is permitted to have a range of contents (at the discretion of the instructor), the course has been marked as apt to satisfy the full permitted range of undergraduate educational goals.

B.A. in Philosophy Advising Sheet (under SEMESTERS)

The major program is planned by the student with a faculty advisor in the Philosophy Department. This is usually done in the student's sophomore or junior year. The major program must be approved by the student's faculty advisor. Satisfactory completion of all courses on the major program is a requirement for graduation. Changes in the major program require the approval of the faculty advisor.

The major in Philosophy at Ohio State must complete:

Prerequisite:

(3cr.) PHIL 2500: Symbolic Logic

Major Requirements:

(3cr.) PHIL 3000: Gateway Seminar

(9cr.) Three of the following:

(3cr.) PHIL 3210: History of Ancient Philosophy

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B.A. in Philosophy Advising Sheet (under QUARTERS)

The philosophy major at Ohio State consists of a prerequisite requirement, which the student should try to satisfy in the first two or three quarters after declaring a major in philosophy, and major program requirements. Any variation from the following requirements must be approved by the director of undergraduate studies.

I. **Prerequisite Requirement:** Philosophy 250 (Symbolic Logic)

II. **Major Program Requirements:**

1. At least 45 credits numbered 200 and above, except philosophy 250, which is a prerequisite requirement and may not be included on the major program.
2. The major program must include the following, which account for 30 of the required 45 credit hours:

B. History of Philosophy (15 Credits):

Each major must include:

Philosophy 301 (History of Ancient Philosophy)

And two of the following courses:

Philosophy 302 (History of Medieval Philosophy)

Philosophy 303 (History of 17th Century Philosophy)

Philosophy 304 (History of 18th Century Philosophy)

Philosophy 305 (History of 19th Century Philosophy)

C. Philosophical Topics (15 Credits):

Each major program must include:

Philosophy 431, (Moral Philosophy)

And two of the following courses:

Philosophy 450 (Philosophy of Logic)

Philosophy 455 (Philosophy of Science)

Philosophy 458 (Sex and Death: Philosophy of Biology)

Philosophy 460 (Introduction to Theory of Knowledge)

Philosophy 463 (Introduction to Metaphysics)

Philosophy 465 (Philosophy of Action)

Philosophy 467 (Introduction to Philosophy of Mind)

Philosophy 468 (Philosophy of Perception)

Philosophy 473 (Introduction to Philosophy of Language)

3. At least 10 of the required 45 credits in the major program must be in philosophy courses numbered 600 and above.
4. A minimum of 20 credit hours of a student's major program must be completed at Ohio State.
5. Philosophy 367 & 597 do not count towards your major program, although they may be used for GEC purposes.

Note: The College of Arts and Sciences does not allow—except by petition—students to count toward GEC requirements a course used in their majors. (Exceptions, having to do with data analysis, pertain to some majors—but not with philosophy.)

Department of Philosophy Transition Policy

The Department of Philosophy is committed to protecting the academic progress of its students. Students should find that the shift from quarters to semesters does not disrupt their progress towards a degree in Philosophy if they actively develop and follow academic plans in consultation with their academic advisors and the Undergraduate Studies Committee chair. Students completing their degrees in Philosophy within this transition will receive approximately the same amount of instruction as students enrolled under either the quarter or the semester model, and the changes to our programs will not affect the quality of the education provided by Philosophy. To ensure the conversion will not harm our students' progress, we will continue to provide intentional and purposeful advising by understanding how the changes in our courses and program requirements will affect our students' degree programs. We will maintain flexibility with our students' progress through their degrees and assist them in planning their programs to graduation.

The Department of Philosophy has approximately 160 B.A. students each year in various stages of their degree programs. With a dedicated full time professional staff member who administrates undergraduate issues, the Department is well equipped to personally handle the needs of its students during the semester conversion process. We are committed to individually serving our students to ensure their success and achievement throughout the semester conversion process.

The Department of Philosophy also commits to updating all documents, forms, and materials that are available in person or electronically to reflect these changes and the semester requirements, including our website, handbooks, advising sheets, and program forms available in print and online.