DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY (GRAD)

The graduate program in philosophy is designed to equip students to engage with both perennial and cutting-edge philosophical enquiry. The program is intended to prepare students for college and university positions in philosophy. The Department of Philosophy offers a program of study leading to the Ph.D. in philosophy. Prerequisite for admission to graduate work in the department is a B.A. degree or equivalent, typically with a major in philosophy, with a broad range of courses. Students earn an M.A. as part of the Ph.D. program. For information about graduate student funding, please visit the department’s website (http://philosophy.unc.edu/graduate/funding/).

The department maintains close relations with the Department of Philosophy at Duke University (https://philosophy.duke.edu/). Graduate students from either institution may register for credit in graduate courses or seminars at the other institution and may include faculty members from either on their dissertation committees. Library facilities are available to students at each institution.

Candidates for the master's degree must satisfactorily complete 30 semester hours of graduate work. This coursework must include PHIL 700 in the first semester of the program. Candidates must also satisfy a Formal Methods Requirement (normally by taking either PHIL 455 or PHIL 458) as well as various Distribution Requirements detailed in the Handbook of the Graduate Program in Philosophy. Successfully completing an M.A. thesis is also a condition for receiving the degree of master of arts.

Candidates for the doctoral degree must satisfactorily complete 60 semester hours of graduate work, including six hours of Ph.D. dissertation credit. There are further Distribution Requirements, again, detailed in the Handbook of the Graduate Program in Philosophy.

The candidate for the degree of doctor of philosophy must pass two examinations. First, there is the Admission to Candidacy examination, which itself has two parts: a written general portion and a special oral portion. The written portion, normally taken in the spring term of the third year, is in the student’s field of specialization. The oral portion tests the feasibility of the dissertation proposal and is normally taken in the fall term of the fourth year. Second, there is an oral defense of the completed dissertation. For further details on degree requirements, see The Graduate School Handbook (https://gradschool.unc.edu/handbook/).

More information about the philosophy graduate program may be found on the department’s website (http://philosophy.unc.edu/).

Following the faculty member’s name is a section number that students should use when registering for independent studies, reading, research, and thesis and dissertation courses with that particular professor.

Distinguished Professors
Marc Lange (44), Philosophy of Science, Metaphysics, Epistemology
C. D. C. Reeve (39), Ancient Philosophy, Metaphysics, Moral Psychology, Ethics

Professors
Luc Bovens (52), Philosophy and Public Policy, Rationality, Moral Psychology, Formal Epistemology
Thomas Dougherty (55), Ethics, Political Philosophy
Thomas Hofweber (42), Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language, Epistemology, Philosophy of Mathematics
Markus Kohl (51), History of Modern Philosophy, History of Ancient Philosophy, Moral Psychology, Existentialism
Matthew Kotzen (46), Epistemology, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Law
Mariska Leunissen (41), Ancient Philosophy, Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Law
Ram Neta (43), Epistemology, Philosophy of Mind
James Pryor (57), Epistemology, Philosophy of Language, Logic, Philosophy of Mind, Philosophy of Action, Metaphysics
John T. Roberts (37), Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Physics, Metaphysics
Sarah Stroud (54), Moral Theory, Moral Psychology, Metaethics, Philosophy of Action
Rebecca Walker (53), Bioethics, Ethical Theory
Alexander Worsnip (50), Epistemology, Metaethics, Theory of Rationality

Assistant Professors
Rosalind Chaplin (59), History of Modern Philosophy, Moral Psychology
Simone Gubler (60), Ethics, Political Science, Philosophy of Law
Carla Merino-Rajme (47), Metaphysics, Philosophy of Mind
Daniel Muñoz (58), Ethics, Philosophy of Action
Margaret Shea (61), Ethics, Metaethics, Moral Psychology, Aesthetics

Professors Emeriti
Bernard Boxill
Thomas E. Hill Jr.
William G. Lycan
Douglas MacLean
Stanley Munsat
Alan Nelson
Gerald J. Postema
Michael D. Resnik
Robert D. Vance
Susan Wolf

PHIL

Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate-Level Courses

PHIL 411. Aristotle. 3 Credits.
An examination of some representative works of Aristotle, with reference to common emphases and basic problems, together with an analysis of their philosophic content. The aim to provide students with a more thorough understanding of the key texts, doctrines, notions, and ideas in Aristotle’s philosophy as a whole and with the capacities and confidence to conduct a short, independent, ancient philosophical research project on Aristotle’s philosophy.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-PAST, RESEARCH.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
PHIL 412. Plato. 3 Credits.
An examination of some representative works in the context of contemporary scholarship.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-PAST.
Making Connections Gen Ed: WB.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 415. Medieval Philosophy. 3 Credits.
An intensive study of some medieval philosophical author (e.g., Aquinas, Scotus, or Ockham) or topic (e.g., arguments for the existence of God, universals, knowledge of individuals).

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 421. Rationalism. 3 Credits.
An in-depth study of such rationalist philosophers as Descartes, Spinoza, and Leibniz.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING or FC-PAST.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 422. Empiricism. 3 Credits.
An in-depth study of such empiricist philosophers as Locke, Berkeley, and Hume.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING or FC-PAST.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 423. Kant's Theoretical Philosophy. 3 Credits.
An intensive introduction to Kant's accounts of space, time, concepts, perception, substance, causation, and the thinking self through a careful study of his masterwork, The Critique of Pure Reason.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-PAST.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 424. Kant's Practical Philosophy. 3 Credits.
This course studies closely Kant's practical philosophy, dedicated to understanding and assessing the answers that Kant gives to classic questions of practical philosophy, such as: What does morality demand from us? What is the morally right course of action? Is morality objective? Do moral norms depend on God?

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-PAST.
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 426. Nietzsche. 3 Credits.
This course examines the philosophy of Friedrich Nietzsche, covering all three conventionally recognized periods of his philosophy in chronological sequence, tracing the historical and philosophical development of his views from the early Birth of Tragedy to the late Twilight of Idols. The main question we will face when studying all these different writings is how Nietzsche tries to solve the problem of nihilism. Completion of one previous PHIL course preferred.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-PAST or FC-VALUES.
Making Connections Gen Ed: FC-PAST or FC-VALUES.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 427. Hegel. 3 Credits.
In-depth study of Hegel's systematic philosophy emphasizing its roots in Kant's critical philosophy. Primary focus on Phenomenology of Spirit, supplemented by selections from the Encyclopedia and Philosophy of Right.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 428. History of American Philosophy. 3 Credits.
An in-depth study of American contributions to philosophy, including for example the transcendentalists, the pragmatists, Quine, Rorty, and others.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 432. The Beginnings of Analytic Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Frege, Russell, Moore, and Wittgenstein among others are considered.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING.
Requisites: Prerequisites, PHIL 155 and two additional philosophy courses are recommended as background.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
PHIL 433. Current Issues in Analytic Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155 strongly recommended. Recent work in epistemology and metaphysics.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 9 total credits. 3 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 440. Philosophy of Mind. 3 Credits.
At least two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155, including PHIL 340, strongly recommended. An examination of dualism, behaviorism, the identity theory, and forms of functionalism with special focus on the problems of mental aboutness and the problems of consciousness.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 442. Philosophical Foundations of Artificial Intelligence. 3 Credits.
This course focuses on advanced philosophical issues tied to artificial intelligence. We will discuss a number of topics concerning how to understand contemporary AI systems, their limits and advantages, as well as the risks and benefits of their application and deployment in real life situations.

Rules & Requirements
Requisites: Prerequisites, PHIL 143 and one advanced course in Philosophy (300 level or above), or one course on machine learning in computer science.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 445. Advanced Philosophy of Language. 3 Credits.
At least two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155, including PHIL 345, strongly recommended. A study of important contemporary contributions in philosophy of language. Topics include meaning, reference, and truth.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 450. Philosophy of Natural Sciences. 3 Credits.
An in-depth survey of general issues in contemporary philosophy of natural science intended for advanced philosophy students. Topics include confirmation, explanation, theory-choice, realism, reduction.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 451. Philosophy of Physics. 3 Credits.
Topics may include the nature of space and time, the ontological status of fields and energy, or causation and locality in quantum physics.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PL.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 452. Philosophy of Biology. 3 Credits.
The logical structure of evolutionary theory, fitness, taxonomy, the notion of a living thing, reductionism, evolutionary explanations, teleology.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 453. Philosophy of Psychology. 3 Credits.
Topics may include reasoning, the relationship between language and thought, concepts, moral cognition, and emotions.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: SS.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 454. Philosophy, History, and the Social Sciences. 3 Credits.
The nature of historical explanation, structural and functional explanation, the weighing of historical testimony, the concept of meaning, normative judgments and predictions in the social sciences.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 455. Symbolic Logic. 3 Credits.
Introduction for graduates and advanced undergraduates.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-QUANT.
Making Connections Gen Ed: QR.
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 155; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 456. Advanced Symbolic Logic. 3 Credits.
Presupposes propositional and quantificational logic as a basis of further deductive development with special attention to selected topics: alternative systems, modal and deontic logic, inductive logic, the grammar of formalized languages, paradoxes, and foundations of mathematics.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-QUANT.
Making Connections Gen Ed: QL.
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 455.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 12 total credits. 4 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
PHIL 457. Set Theory and Logic. 3 Credits.
Natural and real numbers. Infinite cardinal and ordinal numbers. Alternative axiom systems and their consistency problems.

Rules & Requirements
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 455; permission of the instructor for students lacking the prerequisite.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 458. Formal Techniques in Philosophy. 3 Credits.
In a variety of subfields of philosophy, philosophers have found formal techniques to be useful tools for making progress on important philosophical questions. These subfields include, but are not limited to: metaphysics, epistemology, philosophy of language, philosophy of mind, ethics, and political philosophy. This course is a general introduction to some of the formal tools that have been most influential in these fields.

Rules & Requirements
Requisites: Prerequisite, For undergraduates: PHIL 155 or equivalent, or permission of the instructor.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 459. Philosophy of Mathematics. 3 Credits.
Philosophical problems concerning logic and the foundation of mathematics.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 460. History of Moral Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Examination of classic texts of Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Hobbes, Butler, Hume, Kant, and Mill. Selections may vary from year to year.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING or FC-VALUES.
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Requisites: Prerequisite, Two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155, including PHIL 360, strongly recommended.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 462. Contemporary Moral Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Advanced discussion of moral issues such as fact and value, reason and morality, the nature of morality.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Requisites: Prerequisite, two courses in philosophy, including one in value theory.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 9 total credits. 3 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 463. Contemporary Moral and Social Problems. 3 Credits.
Two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155 strongly recommended. A detailed examination of one or more of the following contemporary issues: environmental ethics, animal rights, abortion, euthanasia, pornography, racism, sexism, public versus private morality.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 464. Moral Responsibility. 3 Credits.
An intensive study of classic and recent work on the nature of moral responsibility and its relationship to blame (and praise).

Rules & Requirements
IDEAs in Action Gen Ed: FC-KNOWING or FC-VALUES.
Requisites: Prerequisite, one previous course in philosophy, preferably in value theory.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 465. Justice in Health Care. 3 Credits.
One course in philosophy strongly recommended. Medical students welcome. The course will focus on the question of how scarce health care resources ought to be distributed in order to meet the demands of justice.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 466. Risk and Society. 3 Credits.
One additional course in philosophy strongly recommended. The course examines attitudes toward risk and how they affect our preferences for different public policies in the areas of environmental protection, technology regulation, and workplace and product safety.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 470. Political Philosophy from Hobbes to Rousseau. 3 Credits.
Two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155, including PHIL 170 or 370, strongly recommended. Explores the foundations of justice and authority in the idea of contract or covenant, the nature of law, rights, liberty, and democracy in the work of Hobbes, Locke, Hume, Rousseau.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 471. Topics in 19th Century Philosophy. 3 Credits.
An examination of central issues in social and political philosophy as they figure in the work of 19th Century Philosophy.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
PHIL 473. American Political Philosophy. 3 Credits.
One course in philosophy other than PHIL 155 strongly recommended. The issue of unity and diversity in America is analyzed through the writings of Jefferson, the Federalists and Anti-Federalists, Calhoun, MacKinnon, DuBois, and Rawls.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: US.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 474. Foundations of Modern Political Philosophy. 3 Credits.
This course traces the emergence and development of central themes of modern political philosophy from the 13th through the 17th century.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 170.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 475. Philosophical Issues in Gender, Race, and Class. 3 Credits.
Examines in greater depth and complexity one or more of the issues addressed in PHIL 275, investigating issues of gender, race, and class within the dominant theories of philosophy.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: US.
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 275 or WGST 101.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
Same as: WGST 475.

PHIL 476. Recent Developments in Political Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Two courses in philosophy other than PHIL 155, including PHIL 370, strongly recommended. Investigation of major contemporary contributors (Rawls, Nozick, Dworkin, Cohen, Waldron, Arrow) to philosophical debate concerning justice, equality, liberty, democracy, public reason, or rights versus community.

Rules & Requirements
Making Connections Gen Ed: PH.
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 9 total credits. 3 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 482. Philosophy and Literature. 3 Credits.
Philosophical readings of literary texts, including novels, plays, and poems.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
Same as: CMPL 482.

PHIL 485. Philosophy of Art. 3 Credits.
Competing theories of art and art criticism. The relationship between art and emotional expression, the formal character of art, and standards of taste.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 491. Health Care, Science, and Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Interdisciplinary course to develop critical thinking capacities through philosophical study of the nature of scientific presuppositions and concepts, including events, causality, and determinism, with specific application to health care issues.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 494. Existentialism and Phenomenology. 3 Credits.
A study of one or two major systematic works by Sartre, Heidegger, or Merleau-Ponty.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 6 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 496. Advanced Directed Studies. 1-3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. Advanced independent work in philosophy.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 9 total credits. 3 total completions.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 562. Ethics, Responsibility, and Justice. 1 Credits.
Ethics explores obligations to act in the interest of others as well as ourselves. Justice explores the ways people should organize and govern themselves. Course addresses such questions as, What principles govern our relationships with other people? What do we owe others and ourselves? How should we treat other people?

Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit. 2 total credits. 2 total completions.
Grading Status: Pass/Fail.
PHIL 691H. Courses for Honors. 3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. See the director of undergraduate studies of the department.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAS in Action Gen Ed: RESEARCH.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 692H. Courses for Honors. 3 Credits.
Permission of the director of undergraduate studies. See the director of undergraduate studies of the department.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAS in Action Gen Ed: RESEARCH.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 698. Philosophy, Politics, and Economics: Capstone Course. 3 Credits.
Permission of the department. This capstone course advances PHIL 384, focusing on such theoretical and philosophical issues as the analysis of rights or distributive justice and the institutional implications of moral forms.

Rules & Requirements
IDEAS in Action Gen Ed: FC-VALUES.
Requisites: Prerequisite, PHIL 384.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
Same as: ECON 698, POLI 698.

Graduate-Level Courses
PHIL 700. Proto-Seminar in Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements

PHIL 705. Advanced Studies in Systematic Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 710. Advanced Studies in Ancient Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 715. Advanced Studies in Medieval Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 720. Advanced Studies in Modern Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 725. Advanced Studies in 19th-Century Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 730. Advanced Studies in Metaphysics. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 735. Advanced Studies in Epistemology. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 740. Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Mind. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 745. Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Language. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
Same as: LING 712.

PHIL 750. Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Science. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 755. Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Logic. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 760. Advanced Studies in Moral Theory. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 765. Advanced Studies in Value Theory. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 770. Advanced Studies in Political Philosophy. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 775. Advanced Studies in Feminism. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.
Same as: WGST 775.

PHIL 780. Advanced Studies in Philosophy of Law. 3 Credits.
Rules & Requirements
Repeat Rules: May be repeated for credit.
Grading Status: Letter grade.

PHIL 785. Advanced Studies in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics. 3 Credits.
This course provides Philosophy graduate students with the background to teach PPE courses. It covers core ideas in Economics and Political Science, Rationality, the Market, Inequality, Causal Inference, with the aim of analyzing social problems in PPE style.

Rules & Requirements

PHIL 790. Colloquium Series Seminar. 3 Credits.
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