PHILOSOPHY MINOR

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The principal goal of the study of philosophy is to enable students to think more clearly, deeply, and appreciatively about themselves and their world. Study of philosophy enhances analytical, critical, and interpretive capacities that are applicable to any subject matter in almost any context. It provides many opportunities for expressing oneself, for reflecting on questions that human beings have pondered for millennia, for exchanging reasoned beliefs and engaging in focused debate, and for learning how to come to terms with problems for which there are no easy answers. A good philosophical education also helps to prepare students for responsible and intelligent participation in political and community affairs.

Department Programs

Major

• Philosophy Major, B.A. (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/philosophy-major-ba)

Minors

• Philosophy Minor (p. 1)
• Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE) Minor (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/philosophy-politics-economics-minor)

Graduate Programs

• M.A. in Philosophy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/philosophy)
• Ph.D. in Philosophy (http://catalog.unc.edu/graduate/schools-departments/philosophy)

Requirements

In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must:

• take at least nine hours of their minor course requirements at UNC–Chapel Hill
• earn a minimum of 12 hours of C or better in the minor (some minors require more)

For more information, please consult the degree requirements section of the catalog (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/general-education-curriculum-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext).

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1 First Year Seminars (http://fys.unc.edu) (all numbered below 100) and courses with a second digit of nine (PHIL 390, PHIL 691H, PHIL 692H, etc.) automatically count toward the minor core as electives. However, with approval of the department’s director of undergraduate studies, PHIL 390 (http://catalog.unc.edu/search/?search=PHIL+390) may count toward one of the four distribution areas.

2 PHIL 155 is recommended for all students who major or minor in philosophy.

Philosophy (PHIL) course descriptions (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/departments/philosophy/#coursestext).

See the program page here (http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/philosophy-major-ba) for special opportunities.