

HONOURS BA ETHICS AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

Political issues are taking on a greater importance in society and in our lives. Think, for example, of the questions raised by medical advances that challenge our concepts of life and death, or the privacy issues created by the growing use of the Internet. This multidisciplinary program in ethics is both theoretical and applied. You reflect on fundamental issues in moral and political philosophy and come to understand the nature of ethics issues in health care, business, law, communication, criminology, social work, public affairs and other areas.

This program is offered in English and French.

Learn more about this program (<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-arts/philosophy/undergraduate-ethics-political-philosophy/>)

Program Requirements

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2021-2022 calendar (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
PHI 1301	Philosophy: Ideas and Arguments	3 Units
PHI 1302	Philosophy: Themes and Texts	3 Units
3 course units from:		3 Units
AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts	
AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts	
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	
Total:		12 Units

Compulsory courses at the 2000 level

PHI 2170	Logic I	3 Units
PHI 2174	Ethics	3 Units
PHI 2183	Political Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 2395	Philosophy of Law	3 Units

Compulsory courses at the 3000 level

PHI 3164	Contemporary Ethical Theories	3 Units
PHI 3165	Contemporary Political Philosophy	3 Units

Compulsory courses at the 4000 level

PHI 4164	Texts in Ethics and Political Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 4311	Problems in Contemporary Political Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 4312	Problems in Contemporary Ethics	3 Units

Optional courses

6 course units from:		6 Units
PHI 2380	Greek Philosophy	
PHI 2382	Medieval Philosophy	
PHI 2383	Modern Philosophy	

3 optional course units in philosophy (PHI) from list A at the 3000 or 4000 level	3 Units
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6 optional course units in philosophy (PHI) from list B at the 3000 or 4000 level	6 Units
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6 optional course units in philosophy (PHI) from list C	6 Units
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Total: 48 Units

Elective Courses

60 elective course units	60 Units
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Total: 60 Units

The electives may be replaced by a combination of a Minor, Microprogram(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/undergrad/honours-ba-ethics-political-philosophy/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units.

List of optional courses

List A - History of Philosophy - 3000 and 4000 level courses

PHI 3108	Texts in Modern Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 3375	The Great Figures of Ancient Greek Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 3377	Continental Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 3386	19th Century Philosophy ¹	3 Units
PHI 3398	Analytic Philosophy	3 Units
PHI 4301	Seminar in the History of Philosophy ¹	3 Units
PHI 4302	Texts in the History of Philosophy ¹	3 Units

List B - Metaphysics, Logic, and Theory of Knowledge

PHI 3170	Theory of Knowledge (Remove the words "Topics in")	3 Units
PHI 3171	Logic II ¹	3 Units
PHI 3174	Topics in Metaphysics	3 Units
PHI 3391	Philosophy of Language	3 Units
PHI 4101	Special Topics ¹	3 Units
PHI 4103	Texts in Metaphysics and Epistemology ¹	3 Units

List C - Ethics and Political Philosophy

PHI 2100	Animal Ethics	3 Units
PHI 2385	Ethical Questions	3 Units
PHI 2390	Philosophy of Feminism and Gender	3 Units
PHI 2393	Philosophy of Culture	3 Units
PHI 2394	Scientific Thought and Social Values	3 Units
PHI 2396	Bioethics	3 Units
PHI 2397	Business Ethics	3 Units
PHI 2398	Environmental Ethics	3 Units
PHI 2399	Questions in Political Philosophy	3 Units

New from the theme course which may be taken more than once provided that the themes differ.