

Philosophy, B.A.

Program Description

The program of study in philosophy offers a Bachelor of Arts degree. All majors take several general requirements, including a foreign language through FL 2001 and a three-hour senior seminar. Philosophy majors are expected to demonstrate:

- General knowledge of philosophical traditions and their social and historical contexts;
- Knowledge of varied philosophical questions, problems, and issues; relevant social and historical contexts; and various methodological approaches to them;
- Ability to conduct philosophical research;
- Ability to read and think critically; and
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.



This program is a part of the Norman J. Radow College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Admission, Enrollment, and Graduation Policies

Admission Requirements

This program does not have specific admission requirements and only admission to Kennesaw State University is required. For more information, please visit the Admissions section of the Catalog.

Graduation Requirements

Each student is expected to meet the requirements outlined in Academic Policies 5.0 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & GRADUATION.

Program Course Requirements

Core IMPACTS Curriculum (42 Credit Hours)

General Education Core IMPACTS Curriculum

Statistics Pathway

This program recommends the Statistics Pathway with students taking the following courses in the General Education Core IMPACTS: STAT 1401 in Mathematics & Quantitative Skills, and DATA 1501 in Applied Math.

Core Field of Study (18 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses.

- PHIL 2500: Introduction to Logic and Critical Thinking
- PHIL 2700: Cross-Cultural Philosophy

Select any 12 credit hours of 1000 or 2000 level courses in the undergraduate catalog excluding activity courses (1000 level HPAL). No more than three credit hours can be a course with the PHIL prefix. This program recommends that students take courses with the following prefixes: HIST, CHIN, GRMN, FREN, SPAN, LATN, ITAL, KOR, PORT, RUSS, HEBR, JAPN, & FL.

Major Requirements (15 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses.

Choose one course from the following (non-western philosophy):

- PHIL 3200: Asian Philosophy
- PHIL 3210: Latin American and Caribbean Philosophy
- PHIL 4200: Indian Philosophy
- PHIL 4210: Chinese Philosophy
- PHIL 4220: Japanese Philosophy

Choose one course from the following (western philosophy):

- PHIL 3000: Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
- PHIL 3010: Modern Western Philosophy
- PHIL 4000: Nineteenth Century Western Philosophy
- PHIL 3030: Existentialism
- PHIL 4030: Phenomenology
- PHIL 3020: American Philosophy

Choose one course from the following (sociopolitical philosophy):

- PHIL 3100: Ethics
- PHIL 3110: Social and Political Philosophy
- PHIL 3130: Feminist Philosophy
- PHIL 3120: Philosophies of Peace

Choose one of the following courses:

- PHIL 4450: Major Figures in Philosophy
- or
- PHIL 4460: Major Themes in Philosophy
- PHIL 4499: Senior Seminar

Major Electives (12 Credit Hours)

Students must earn a grade of "C" or better in these courses. Select 12 credit hours from the following list of courses:

- PHIL 3020: American Philosophy
- PHIL 3030: Existentialism
- PHIL 3100: Ethics
- PHIL 3110: Social and Political Philosophy
- PHIL 3120: Philosophies of Peace
- PHIL 3130: Feminist Philosophy
- PHIL 3200: Asian Philosophy
- PHIL 3210: Latin American and Caribbean Philosophy
- PHIL 4000: Nineteenth Century Western Philosophy
- PHIL 4030: Phenomenology
- PHIL 4200: Indian Philosophy
- PHIL 4210: Chinese Philosophy
- PHIL 4220: Japanese Philosophy
- PHIL 4450: Major Figures in Philosophy
- PHIL 4460: Major Themes in Philosophy

University Electives (33 Credit Hours)

In accordance with KSU Graduation Policy, students must earn a grade of "D" or better in these courses while maintaining a minimum 2.00 cumulative GPA.

Upper-Division Electives (12 Credit Hours)

Select 12 credit hours of 3000–4000 level coursework from the University Catalog. Students are encouraged to pursue a minor.

Free Electives (21 Credit Hours)

Select 21 credit hours of 1000–4000 level coursework from the University Catalog.

Program Total (120 credit hours)