

PHILOSOPHY-BA

THIS IS A GENERAL CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

Philosophy Major (30 credits)

— **PHI 103 Logic (3)**

Prerequisite: MTH 110 or equivalent

Select FOUR from the courses listed below:

- PHI ____ (3)
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Prerequisite for all courses: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor

PHI 311 Ancient Great Philosophers

PHI 312 Medieval Great Philosophers

PHI 313 Early Modern Great Philosophers

PHI 314 Late Modern Great Philosophers

PHI 315 Recent Great Philosophers

Select ONE from:

- PHI ____ (3)

Prerequisite: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor
PHI 210 Eastern Philosophy

PHI 240 Middle Eastern Philosophy

PHI 306 Eastern Great Philosophers

Capstone

— **PHI 495 Reality, Knowledge, and Value (3)**

Prerequisites: Senior standing and Philosophy major/minor

Electives

Students must complete a total of 30 Philosophy credits for the major. Courses numbered PHI 306, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, and 380 may be repeated for credit when their content varies. See below for elective options

- PHI ____ (3)
- PHI ____ (3)
- PHI ____ (3)

Narrative Statement

To be initiated upon declaring a major in philosophy. Revise on an ongoing basis and complete in Capstone (PHI 495), all in consultation with your faculty advisor in philosophy.

Degree: Bachelor of Arts

Third semester proficiency (201 level) is required for the B.A. degree. This may be fulfilled through language placement (<http://www.gvsu.edu/mlt/language-placement-the-opi-108.htm>) or by completing the courses listed below

— **Language 101* (4)**

— **Language 102* (4)** (*150 is a hybrid of 101 & 102 and is recommended for students with previous language background; students may move into Language 201 after completing Language 150)

— **Language 201 (4)**

— **Language 202 (4) RECOMMENDED**

It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisor and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly.

The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585.

Online at: <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising>

Sample Plan

Year One	Year Three	*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute
MTH 110 or placement	PHI Course	*You must have a total of 120 credits to graduate from Grand Valley State University (you are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credits per semester)
WRT 150 ¹	PHI Course	*Supplement major courses with general education courses when scheduling
PHI 103	PHI Course	*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15
Language 101	PHI Course	*A major GPA of 2.0 or higher is required.
Language 102		
PHI 101, PHI 102, or PHI 220 suggested		
Year Two	Year Four	
PHI Course	PHI 495	
PHI Course	PHI Course	
Language 201		
Language 202 (Recommended)		

¹ Students who self-place into WRT 098 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 150 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 should normally take this course in the winter semester of their first year.

Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 150 in order to satisfy the WRT 150 requirement at GVSU.

Guide for Declaring the Philosophy Major

1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
2. Once logged in select “Student”, “Student Records”, and then, “Change Major”
3. Click on the “Change Major 1/Program” box
4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to “New Major 1/Program,” from here scroll down and choose “Philosophy-BA”
5. Click “Submit” and then “Change to New Program”

General Education Overlap

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Philosophy Major:	
Mathematical Sciences: PHI 103	Arts: option of selecting PHI 220
Philosophy and Literature: option of selecting PHI 101 or PHI 102	U.S. Diversity: PHI 230
World Perspectives: PHI 210, PHI 240, PHI 250, PHI 306	Issues: option of selecting one of PHI 300, PHI 320, PHI 325, PHI 330, PHI 343, or PHI 370

Philosophy Elective Courses

You are strongly encouraged to work with your faculty advisor for assistance in selecting appropriate elective courses
Prerequisite for all courses: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor unless otherwise noted

PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy Prerequisite: none	PHI 306 Eastern Great Philosophers PHI 311 Ancient Great Philosophers PHI 312 Medieval Great Philosophers PHI 313 Early Modern Great Philosophers PHI 314 Late Modern Great Philosophers PHI 315 Recent Great Philosophers PHI 320 Social and Political Philosophy: Liberty and Justice PHI 325 Ethics in Professional Life Prerequisite: none PHI 330 Law, Philosophy and Society PHI 335 Philosophy and Democracy Prerequisite: none PHI 341 Philosophy of Death and Dying Prerequisite: none PHI 343 Philosophy of Religion PHI 345 Philosophy of Mind Prerequisite: none PHI 350 Philosophy of History PHI 360 Philosophy of Science	PHI 370 Sex Matters: Feminist Philosophy in the Contemporary World Prerequisite: PHI 101 or 102 PHI 375 Community Working Classics I (4) Prerequisite: Permission of instructor PHI 380 Special Topics in Philosophy PHI 399 Independent Readings PHI 440 Epistemology PHI 450 Metaphysics PHI 460 Value Theory PHI 470 Philosophy of Language Prerequisite: One philosophy course or permission of instructor PHI 480 Special Topics in Philosophy
PHI 102 Ethics Prerequisite: none		
PHI 103 Logic Prerequisite: MTH 110 or equivalent		
PHI 203 Intermediate Logic Prerequisite: PHI 103 or CIS 160 or CIS 162 or MTH 110 or MTH 122 or MTH 201		
PHI 210 Eastern Philosophy Prerequisite: none		
PHI 220 Aesthetics Prerequisite: none		
PHI 230 American Philosophy Prerequisite: none		
PHI 240 Middle Eastern Philosophy		
PHI 250 Existentialism Prerequisite: none		
PHI 300 Theories of Human Nature Prerequisite: none		