

**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)— **PHI** \_\_\_ (3)— **PHI** \_\_\_ (3)— **PHI** \_\_\_ (3)

Prerequisite for all courses: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor

**PHI 311** Origins of Western Thought: Ancient Philosophy**PHI 312** Divine Revelation Meets Greek Rationality: Medieval Philosophy**PHI 313** Reason, Experience, Morality at the Dawn of Modernity: Early Modern Philosophy**PHI 314** Capitalism, Secularism, Nationalism: 19<sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy**PHI 315** Philosophy Now: Contemporary Great Philosophers**Select ONE from:**— **PHI** \_\_\_ (3)

PHI 210 Eastern Philosophy

PHI 240 Middle Eastern Philosophy

PHI 400 Eastern Great Philosophers

Prerequisite: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor

**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 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 380 and 400 may be repeated for credit when their content varies. Students may choose electives from any other courses in the philosophy program course listings. At least one elective must be chosen from PHI 400, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, or 470. 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/ml/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

<b>Year One</b>
MTH 110 or placement WRT 150 <sup>1</sup> PHI 103 Language 101 Language 102 PHI 101, PHI 102, or PHI 220 suggested
<b>Year Two</b>
PHI Course PHI Course Language 201 Language 202 (Recommended)

<b>Year Three</b>
PHI Course PHI Course PHI Course PHI Course
<b>Year Four</b>
PHI 495 PHI Course

<p>*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute</p> <p>*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)</p> <p>*Supplement major courses with general education courses when scheduling</p> <p>*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay a additional tuition for any credits over 15</p> <p>*A major GPA of 2.0 or higher is required.</p>
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<sup>1</sup> Students who self-place into WRT 120/130 should take the 120 course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 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, PHI 102, or PHI 202	U.S. Diversity: PHI 230
Global Perspectives: PHI 210, PHI 240, PHI 250, PHI 400	Issues: option of selecting one of PHI 300, PHI 320, PHI 325, PHI 330, PHI 335, 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 PHI 311, 312, 313, 314, 315 and all 400-level courses: Prior work in Philosophy or permission of instructor.

PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy	PHI 313 Reason, Experience, Morality at the Dawn of Modernity: Early Modern	PHI 370 Sex Matters: Feminist Philosophy in the Contemporary World
PHI 102 Ethics	PHI 314 Capitalism, Secularism, Nationalism: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century Philosophy	Prerequisite: junior standing
PHI 202 Philosophy and Ethics of Health	PHI 315 Philosophy Now: Contemporary Great Philosophers	PHI 380 Special Topics in Philosophy
PHI 203 Intermediate Logic	PHI 320 Power, Justice, and Freedom: Social and Political Philosophy	PHI 399 Independent Readings
Prerequisite: PHI 103 or CIS 160 or CIS 162 or MTH 110 or MTH 122 or MTH 201	Prerequisite: junior standing	PHI 400 Wisdom of the East: Advanced Topics in Asian Philosophy
PHI 204 Knowledge, Politics, and Social Media	PHI 325 Ethics in Professional Life	PHI 420 Philosophy of Science
PHI 210 Eastern Philosophy	Prerequisite: junior standing	PHI 430 Mind, Brain, and Consciousness: Philosophy of Mind
PHI 220 Aesthetics	PHI 330 Crime, Morality, Punishment: Philosophy of Law	PHI 440 Perception, Hallucination, Trust: Perspectives on Knowledge
PHI 230 American Philosophy	Prerequisite: junior standing	PHI 450 Reality, Identity, Change: Metaphysics
PHI 240 Middle Eastern Philosophy	PHI 335 Philosophy and Democracy	PHI 460 Rights, Duties, and the Meaning of Life: Moral Philosophy
PHI 250 Existentialism	Prerequisite: junior standing	PHI 470 Truth, Meaning, Communication: Philosophy of Language
PHI 300 Theories of Human Nature	PHI 341 Philosophy of Death and Dying	PHI 480 Special Topics in Philosophy
Prerequisite: junior standing	Prerequisite: none	
PHI 311 Origins of Western Thought: Ancient Philosophy	PHI 343 God, Faith, and Reason: Philosophy of Religion	
PHI 312 Divine Revelation Meets Greek Rationality: Medieval Philosophy	Prerequisite: junior standing	
PHI 313 Reason, Experience, Morality at the Dawn of Modernity: Early Modern		