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**Notes:**
- PHI 301: Topics in Philosophy
  - Variable content.
  - **Notes:** May be repeated for credit when topic varies.
- PHI 310: Introduction to Formal Logic
  - Validity, consistency, implication, and the formal analysis of language.
  - **GE Core:** GRD
- PHI 319: Knowledge, Truth, and Belief
  - Discussion of concepts central to an understanding of the nature of human knowledge, such as truth, evidence, certainty, intuition, perception, the reasonableness of belief, and the reliability theory of justification.
  - **Prerequisites:** PHI 310.
- PHI 321: Ethical Theory
  - Analysis of the meaning of moral concepts such as good, right, ought, duty, and of the nature of ethical argument. Attention to current theories in normative ethics.
  - **Prerequisites:** One course in Philosophy.
- PHI 322: Philosophy of the Arts
  - Philosophical problems concerning description, interpretation, and evaluation of the visual, performing, and literary arts, discussed generally and in relation to specific works of art. Readings in philosophy and art theory.
- PHI 324: Philosophy of Race and Gender
  - This course provides historical background for understanding racial inequalities, focuses on the concepts of race and gender and how they are connected to racism and sexism, and explores the concept of intersectionality.
- PHI 325: Introduction to the Philosophy of Science
  - Concepts important to an understanding of the nature and goals of research in the natural sciences, such as observation, experiment, theory, law, and explanation. Philosophical problems about objectivity and conceptual change in science based on examples from the history of science. Nature of scientific knowledge.
  - **Notes:** One course in natural science recommended.
- PHI 331: Social and Political Philosophy
  - Theories of the origin and justification of legal systems, our obligation to obey the law, justice, punishment, and related issues. Readings from classical and contemporary sources. Course available via a WEB D-section for PHI Online Degree Completion Program students only.
  - **GE Core:** GRD
- PHI 335: Philosophy of Law
  - Theories of the origin and justification of legal systems, our obligation to obey the law, justice, punishment, and related issues. Readings from classical and contemporary sources.
- PHI 336: Philosophy of Crime and Punishment
  - Critical discussion of philosophical questions raised by criminal law, including the moral justification of punishment, the theoretical underpinnings of various criminal defenses, and the conceptual distinctions among types of crimes.
  - **GE Core:** GRD
- PHI 338: Ethics and International Affairs
  - Critical discussion of topics such as human rights, the morality of war and terrorism, international distributive justice, poverty and international aid, self-determination and secession, immigration policy, and global environmental issues.
  - **GE Core:** GRD
PHI 348 Existentialism, Phenomenology, and Structuralism 3
Recent philosophical movements in France and Germany. Application of structuralist models to the human sciences. Post-structuralist developments such as Deconstruction and Hermeneutics. Selections from such writers as Husserl, Levi-Strauss, Foucault, Lacan, Althusser, Derrida, Gadamer, and Ricoeur.

PHI 351 Major Philosophers 3
Systematic examination of the works of a major philosopher.

PHI 357 Metaphysics 3
Selected metaphysical issues such as personal identity and the immortality of the soul, freedom and determinism, the nature of space, time and substance, the problem of universals, forms of realism, and theory of reference. Course available via a WEB D-section for PHI Online Degree Completion Program students only.

PHI 359 Philosophy of Religion 3
Arguments concerning God's existence, the problem of evil, God's foreknowledge and human freedom, the analysis of divine attributes, immortality, and the soul.

GE Core: GPR

PHI 361 Ethical Issues in Business 3
Ethical theory and its application to business: economic justice, corporate responsibility, self-regulation and government regulation, conflict of interest, investment policy, advertising, and environmental responsibility.

GE Core: GPR
GE Marker: GN
Notes: Students may not receive credit for both PHI 361 and PHI 362.

PHI 362 Ethical Issues in Entrepreneurship 3
Application of ethical theory to global entrepreneurship; including entrepreneur's role in ethical actions, economic justice, responsibility, self and government regulation, conflict of interest, investment policy, advertising, and environmental responsibility.

GE Core: GPR
GE Marker: GN
Notes: Students may not receive credit for both PHI 361 and PHI 362. Same as ENT 362.

PHI 363 Environmental Ethics 3
The ethics of our relationship to the environment. Traditions in environmentalism; treatment of animals, nature, plants, and species; application of environmental ethical theory to real-world environmental problems.

PHI 401 Reading Course for Seniors 1-3
Supervised reading and research for philosophy majors.
Prerequisites: Permission of instructor.
Notes: May be repeated for credit.

PHI 402 Independent Study 1-3
Prerequisite: Satisfaction of requirements for the major in philosophy and permission of instructor;
Notes: May be repeated for credit.

PHI 493 Honors Work 3-6
Prerequisite: Permission of instructor; 3.30 GPA in the major; 12 s.h. in the major;
Notes: May be repeated for credit if the topic of study changes.

PHI 494 Senior Capstone Course 3
Variable content. Senior-level philosophical work on some thematic topic. Elements and methods of philosophical argument, research and debate. Technology competencies and information skills/ research competencies in the major. Course available via WEB D-section for PHI Online Degree Completion Program students only.

PHI 523 Philosophy of Social and Behavioral Science 3
Issues in philosophy of social and behavioral science from Hume to the present: explanation, theory construction, methodology of the social sciences, the status of the sociology of knowledge.

PHI 525 Philosophy of Physical Science 3
Study of a major current issue in the philosophy of science such as scientific progress and change, scientific methods, experiment and theory, scientific explanation, rationality, scientific realism, relations between philosophy of science and history of science. Examples drawn from modern history of the physical sciences.

PHI 559 Philosophy of Mind 3
The mind-body problem, identity theories, functionalism, reductive and eliminative materialism, behavioral and causal theories of mind.

PHI 575 Advanced Logic 3
Axiomatic first order quantification theory with completeness theorems. Numbers and sets. Paradoxes and type theory. Introduction to modal logic.
Prerequisites: PHI 311 or permission of instructor.

PHI 589 Experimental Course 1
This number reserved for experimental courses. Refer to the Course Schedule for current offerings.

PHI 590 Aesthetics 3
Readings in the major philosophies of art, analysis of evaluative judgment and argument, the nature of aesthetic concepts, artistic truth, the art object, and the aesthetic experience.
Prerequisites: PHI 322 or permission of instructor.

PHI 601 Advanced Topics in Philosophy 3
Topics may include relativism, legal ethics, and artificial intelligence. May be repeated for credit when topic varies.

PHI 620 Ethics and Genetics 3
Ethical issues in the acquisition and application of knowledge about the human genome. Topics include genetic testing and abortion, predictive testing, testing for minors, confidentiality, gene therapy, and human cloning.
Prerequisites: Matriculation to third semester of MS genetic counseling program or permission of instructor.