

## PLAN A: THESIS

Any courses required to address deficiencies must be completed before graduation. Credits earned through completion of such courses do not count toward the M.A. degree. Deficiencies are assessed in five areas at the time of admission into the program: ancient Greek philosophy, 17th and 18th-century philosophy, introductory formal logic, upper-level epistemology or metaphysics, and upper-level ethical theory.

<b>Group 1: Choose 2 courses</b>	<b>6</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 525</a>	Seminar in Epistemology
<a href="#">PHIL 527</a>	Seminar in Philosophy of Science
<a href="#">PHIL 535</a>	Seminar in Metaphysics
<b>Group 2: Choose 1 course</b>	<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 547</a>	Seminar in Meta-Ethics
<a href="#">PHIL 548</a>	Seminar in Normative Ethical Theory
<b>Group 3: Choose 1 course</b>	<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 550/IE 550</a>	Ethics and International Development
<a href="#">PHIL 564</a>	Seminar in Animal Rights
<a href="#">PHIL 565</a>	Seminar in Environmental Philosophy
<a href="#">PHIL 566</a>	Seminar in Applied Philosophy
<b>Group 4: Choose 1 course</b>	<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 500</a>	Seminar in Major Philosophical Texts
<a href="#">PHIL 501</a>	Seminar: Topics in History of Philosophy

<b>Philosophy Electives</b> <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>6-9</b>
<b>Out-of-Department Courses</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>0-3</b>
<b>Thesis</b>	<b>6</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 699</a> Thesis	
<b>Program Total Credits:</b>	<b>30</b>

A minimum of 30 credits are required to complete this program. In addition to completing program credits and courses required to address deficiencies, students must pass an oral defense of their thesis.

<sup>1</sup> Select courses with PHIL subject code. A minimum of 6 credits must be taken as regular courses (courses ending in -00 through -79) at the 500- to 600-level. A maximum of 6 credits may be taken as [PHIL 695](#) and/or [PHIL 697](#). A maximum of 2 credits may be taken as [PHIL 684](#).

<sup>2</sup> Students may select a maximum of 6 credits total within the program at the 400-level with approval of advisor and graduate committee.

Students must complete the minimum number of credits specified in the official program of study as approved by the University Curriculum Committee, and all credit requirements specified in the [Graduate and Professional Bulletin](#) for their degree.

## PLAN B: EXAMINATION

Effective Fall 2018

Any courses required to address deficiencies must be completed before graduation. Credits earned through completion of such courses do not count toward the M.A. degree. Deficiencies are assessed in five areas at the time of admission into the program: ancient Greek philosophy, 17th and 18th-century philosophy, introductory formal logic, upper-level epistemology or metaphysics, and upper-level ethical theory.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Group 1: Choose 2 courses</b>		<b>6</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 525</a>	Seminar in Epistemology	
<a href="#">PHIL 527</a>	Seminar in Philosophy of Science	
<a href="#">PHIL 535</a>	Seminar in Metaphysics	
<b>Group 2: Choose 1 course</b>		<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 547</a>	Seminar in Meta-Ethics	
<a href="#">PHIL 548</a>	Seminar in Normative Ethical Theory	
<b>Group 3: Choose 1 course</b>		<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 550/IE 550</a>	Ethics and International Development	
<a href="#">PHIL 564</a>	Seminar in Animal Rights	
<a href="#">PHIL 565</a>	Seminar in Environmental Philosophy	
<a href="#">PHIL 566</a>	Seminar in Applied Philosophy	

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Group 4: Choose 1 course</b>		<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 500</a>	Seminar in Major Philosophical Texts	
<a href="#">PHIL 501</a>	Seminar: Topics in History of Philosophy	
<b>Philosophy Electives <sup>1,2</sup></b>		<b>9-15</b>
<b>Out-of-Department Courses <sup>2</sup></b>		<b>0-6</b>
<b>Research</b>		<b>3</b>
<a href="#">PHIL 698</a>	Research	
<b>Program Total Credits:</b>		<b>33</b>

#### Course List

A minimum of 33 credits are required to complete this program. In addition to completing program credits and courses required to address deficiencies, students must also pass a final examination.

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