

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND COMPARATIVE RELIGION

2026-27 catalog 4-year degree pathway

College of Arts and Humanities

Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy (Small Plan)

Requires a minor or second major

Sample only—your academic advisor will help you create an individualized plan. Students with more than one major should communicate with their advisor prior to enrollment. Upper-division (UD) electives should be selected in consultation with advisor and department faculty members.

- **Note: Only two total PHIL/RELS courses can "double dip" to satisfy K Options; K1 counts as one of those two**

Actual courses offered may be in different terms than the quarter listed in this sample plan.

YEAR 1	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	*AWI Option	Academic Writing I (5) Choose: PHIL 110 or PHIL 111	K1 Option	Academic Writing II (5) Choose: PHIL 151, PHIL 152, or PHIL 153	K4 Option	Global Dynamics (5) • Recommend: PHIL 106
	UNIV 101	Transition to CWU (1)	K2 Option	Community, Culture, & Citizenship (5) • Recommend: PHIL 107, PHIL 108, or PHIL 311	K6 Option	Individual & Society (5)
	*QR Option	Quantitative Reasoning (5)	K3 Option	Creative Expression (5)	K7 Option	Physical & Natural World (5)
	Elective	Explore/minor (4)				
	Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits	15

YEAR 2	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	K5 Option	Humanities (5) • Recommend: PHIL 101, PHIL 103, PHIL 104, or PHIL 105	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: Asian Philosophy)	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: Value Theory)
	K8 Option	Science & Technology (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)
	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)
		Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits

YEAR 3	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: Contemporary Analytic & Continental Philosophy)	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: History of Western Phil 1)	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: History of Western Phil 2)
	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)
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		Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits

YEAR 4	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	UD PHIL	Choose option from 5 required fields of Upper-Division Philosophy (5) (Ex: Noncanonical Philosophy)	UD PHIL	Upper-Division Philosophy Elective (5)	UD PHIL	Upper-Division Philosophy Elective (5)
	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	PHIL 494	Thesis Preparation (2)	Culminating Experience	PHIL 495 or PHIL 497 (3)
	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)
		Total Quarter Credits	15	Total Quarter Credits	17	Total Quarter Credits

Total Credits

180

*Assumes appropriate placement. If placement needs are different, your advisor will help you create a suitable first-year Math/Academic Writing sequence to set you up for success.

K1, K2, etc = Knowledge Area (Gen Ed)

LD = Lower Division (100-200 level)

UD = Upper Division (300-400 level)

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR, BA (Small Plan)- Requires Minor or Second Major

REQUIRED COURSE CREDITS: 40							
Critical Thinking: choose one for 5 credits			Credits	Prerequisites	Fall 26	Winter 27	Spring 27
PHIL	151	Arguments about Life and Death	5	<i>GE Academic Writing 1 (AW I)</i>	✓		
PHIL	152	Arguments about Healthcare	5	<i>GE Academic Writing 1 (AW I)</i>			✓
PHIL	153	Arguments about Social Issues	5	<i>GE Academic Writing 1 (AW I)</i>	✓	✓	✓
PHIL	251	Introduction to Formal Logic	5				
Total			5				
Thesis Sequence: 5 credits							
PHIL	494	Undergrad Thesis Prep	2	<i>JR standing & by Instr Perm</i>	<i>scheduled individually</i>		
PHIL	495	Undergraduate Thesis	3	<i>PHIL 494</i>	<i>scheduled individually</i>		
OR							
PHIL	497	Honors Thesis	3	<i>PHIL 494, PHIL Honors Program</i>	<i>scheduled individually</i>		
Total			5				
Hist of Western Phil: both/one under different topics: 10 credits							
PHIL	352	Topics in Ancient Philosophy	5				
PHIL	353	Topics in Modern Philosophy	5				✓
Total			10				
Value Theory: choose one for 5 credits							
PHIL	302	Ethical Theory	5				
PHIL	303	Philosophy of Art	5				
PHIL	304	Business Ethics	5				
PHIL	306	Environment Ethics	5	<i>Soph Standing or Above</i>			
PHIL	308	Medical Ethics	5				✓
PHIL	347	Philosophy of Law	5				
PHIL	348	Social-Pol Phil	5				
Total			5				
Contemp Analytic & Continent Phil: one for 5 credits							
PHIL	324	Philosophy & Science Fiction	5		✓		
PHIL	358	Existentialism	5			✓	
PHIL	359	Contemp European Phil	5				
PHIL	361	Theory of Knowledge	5				
PHIL	364	Philosophy of Mind	5				
Total			5				
Asian Philosophy: choose one for 5 credits							
PHIL	345	Philosophies of China & Japan	5			✓	
RELS	303	Buddhist Thought & Practice	5				
RELS	350	Korean Religion and Philosophy	5				
Total			5				
Noncanonical Philosophy: choose one for 5 credits							
PHIL	310	Sexual and Reproductive Ethics	5				
PHIL	325	Women & Philosophy	5		✓		
PHIL	357	Philosophy of Race	5				
Total			5				
DEPARTMENT-APPROVED ELECTIVES: 10 CREDITS / 2 COURSES							
Select any PHIL courses not used elsewhere; no more than 5 credits from 100/200 level courses.							
Total			10				
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS			50				