BA PHILOSOPHY

Program Learning Objectives
1. Significant critical skill
2. Sound command of logic
3. Competence at philosophical writing
4. Good, general knowledge of the history of philosophy
5. Grasp of main currents in contemporary philosophy
6. Familiarity with methods of contemporary philosophical inquiry

Degree Requirements and Curriculum
In addition to the program requirements listed on this page, students must also satisfy requirements outlined in more detail in the Minimum Requirements for Graduation (https://catalog.calpoly.edu/generalrequirementsbachelorsdegree/) section of this catalog, including:

- 60 units of upper-division courses
- Graduation Writing Requirement (GWR)
- 2.0 GPA
- U.S. Cultural Pluralism

Note: No Major, Support or Concentration courses may be selected as credit/no credit.

MAJOR COURSES

| PHIL 101 | Introduction to Philosophy | 4 |
| PHIL 126 | Logic and Argumentative Writing (A3) | 1 |

| PHIL 230 | Philosophical Classics: Knowledge and Reality (C2) | 4 |
| PHIL 231 | Philosophical Classics: Ethics and Political Philosophy (GE Electives) | 4 |
| PHIL 241 | Symbolic Logic | 4 |
| PHIL 300 | Philosophical Writing and Research | 4 |
| PHIL 321 | Philosophy of Science (Upper-Division C) | 4 |
| PHIL 331 | Ethics | 4 |
| PHIL 411 | Metaphysics | 4 |
| PHIL 412 | Epistemology | 4 |
| PHIL 459 | Senior Project Preparation | 1 |
| PHIL 460 | Senior Project I | 1 |
| PHIL 461 | Senior Project II | 2 |

History of Philosophy Electives
Select from the following: 4
- PHIL 309 Early Greek Philosophy through Plato
- PHIL 310 Aristotle and Hellenistic Philosophy
- PHIL 312 Medieval Philosophy

Select from the following: 4
- PHIL 313 Early Modern Rationalism
- PHIL 314 Early Modern Empiricism
- PHIL 315 Kant and 19th Century European Philosophy

Select from the following: 4
- PHIL 317 History of Analytic Philosophy

PHIL 318 Phenomenology
PHIL 319 Existentialism
Select from History of Philosophy Electives listed above or PHIL 429
Choose PHIL Electives (20 units) at the 300-400 level, or declare a concentration (see below). 2,3

Arts and Humanities Breadth
Upper-Division C (General Education) course not in PHIL 4

GENERAL EDUCATION (GE)
(See GE program requirements below.) 56

FREE ELECTIVES
Free Electives

Total units 180

1 Required in Major or Support; also satisfies General Education (GE) requirement.
2 At least 12 units must be 400-level if the PHIL Electives option is chosen rather than declaring a concentration.
3 If a course is taken to meet a Major or Support requirement, it cannot be double-counted as an Elective for the concentration.
4 If a Religious Studies (RELS) course is taken to meet the Arts and Humanities Breadth requirement, it cannot be double-counted in the Philosophy and Religion concentration.

Concentrations
- Ethics and Society (https://catalog.calpoly.edu/collegesandprograms/collegeofliberalarts/philosophy/baphilosophy/ethicsandsocietyconcentration/)
- Ethics of Science and Technology (https://catalog.calpoly.edu/collegesandprograms/collegeofliberalarts/philosophy/baphilosophy/ethics-of-science-and-technology-concentration/)

General Education (GE) Requirements
- 72 units required, 16 of which are specified in Major and/or Support.
- If any of the remaining 56 units is used to satisfy a Major or Support requirement, additional units of Free Electives may be needed to complete the total units required for the degree.
- See the complete GE course listing (https://catalog.calpoly.edu/generalrequirementsbachelorsdegree/#generaleducationtext).
- A grade of C- or better is required in one course in each of the following GE Areas: A1 (Oral Communication), A2 (Written Communication), A3 (Critical Thinking), and B4 (Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning).

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B2  Life Science  4

B3  One lab taken with either a B1 or B2 course

B4  Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning  4

Upper-Division B  4

**Area C  Arts and Humanities**
Lower-division courses in Area C must come from three different subject prefixes.

C1  Arts: Arts, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theater  4

C2  Humanities: Literature, Philosophy, Languages other than English (4 units in Major)  0

Lower-Division C Elective - Select a course from either C1 or C2  4

Upper-Division C (4 units in Major)  0

**Area D  Social Sciences - Select courses in Area D from at least two different prefixes**

D1  American Institutions (Title 5, Section 40404 Requirement)  4

D2  Lower-Division D  4

Upper-Division D  4

**Area E  Lifelong Learning and Self-Development**

Lower-Division E  4

**Area F  Ethnic Studies**

F  Ethnic Studies  4

GE Electives in Areas B, C, and D
Select courses from two different areas; may be lower-division or upper-division courses.

GE Electives (4 units in Major plus 4 units in GE)  4

**Total units  56**

1 Required in Major or Support; also satisfies General Education (GE) requirement.