BA IN PHILOSOPHY (ETHICS, POLITICS, AND LAW)

Units required for Major: 42
Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

The concentration in Ethics, Politics, and Law is designed as a preparation for the study of law as well as for advanced professional study in applied ethics. It is also intended to give undergraduates a foundation in rational decision-making, embodying the conviction that such an intellectual capacity has broad application.

The concentration gives students an understanding of the theories behind moral and legal principles as well as training in the process of decision-making applying those principles. Students will be called upon to make decisions in particular cases; state the facts impartially; convey their decisions and their reasoning cogently and persuasively; and justify their decisions by showing how they are both a reasonable consequence of those principles and not overturned by overriding conflicting principles. There will be a particular emphasis on clear and effective writing.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
LOWER DIVISION COURSES (5 Units)		
PHIL 89	Philosophical Methods (Philosophical Methods)	2
PHIL 60	Deductive Logic I [1]	3
UPPER DIVISION CORE COURSES (19 Units)		
PHIL 112	History Of Ethics ✏	3
PHIL 127	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
PHIL 128	History of Modern Philosophy	3
PHIL 180	Knowledge and Understanding	3
PHIL 181	Metaphysics	3
PHIL 182	Ethical Theory (Ethical Theory)	3
PHIL 189	Senior Seminar in Philosophy	1
ETHICS, POLITICS, AND LAW CONCENTRATIONS (18 Units)		
CORE ELECTIVES		
PHIL 122	Political Philosophy [1]	3
PHIL 155	Philosophy Of Law	3
Select 190 or 192 series seminar from the Elective List for this concentration.		3
ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES		
Select three courses from the Elective List for this concentration not taken to satisfy the above.		9
Total Units		**42**

[1] Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.

Note: Philosophy majors must fulfill the GE Writing Intensive "supervenient requirement" with courses **in the major, only**.

Elective List

Code	Title	Units
PHIL 61	Inductive Logic I	3
PHIL 101	Ethics and Social Issues ✏ [1]	3
PHIL 102	Professional and Public Service Ethics	3
PHIL 103	Business and Computer Ethics [1]	3
PHIL 104	Bioethics [1]	3
PHIL 105	Science and Human Values ✏ [1]	3
PHIL 106	Philosophy of Medicine	3
PHIL 156	Philosophy of the Social Sciences	3
PHIL 183	Rationality	3
PHIL 190	Selected Philosophers	3
PHIL 192B	Topics in Bioethics	3
PHIL 192E	Topics in Epistemology	3
PHIL 192F	Topics in Ethics	3
PHIL 192L	Topics in Philosophy Language	3
PHIL 192M	Topics in Philosophy of Mind	3
PHIL 192O	Topics in Contemporary Metaphysics	3
PHIL 192R	Topics in Philosophy of Religion	3
PHIL 192S	Topics in Philosophy of Science	3
PHIL 192T	Topics in Philosophy of Social Science	3
PHIL 195	Philosophy Internship [2]	1 - 3

[1] Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.
[2] If taken for less than 3 units, must be repeated until 3 units are achieved.

General Education Requirements [1]

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1 - Oral Communication		3
A2 - Written Communication		3
A3 - Critical Thinking [2]		3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (13 Units)		
B1 - Physical Science		3
B2 - Life Forms		3
B3 - Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)		1
B4 - Math Concepts		3
B5 - Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.		3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (6-9 Units)		
C1 - Arts		3
C2 - Humanities [2]		0 - 3
C1/C2 - Area C Course		3
C1/C2 - Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. [3]		0
Area D: The Individual and Society (6-9 Units)		
Area D Course		3
Area D Course		3

	Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. [4]	0 - 3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development (3 Units)		
Area E Course		3
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)		
Area F Course		3
Total Units		**40-46**

[1] To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/).
Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (http://www.csus.edu/acad/), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

[2] Department offers students a "select from the following" option:
- If student chooses to take PHIL 2, PHIL 6, or PHIL 26, they will meet Area C2.
- If student chooses to take PHIL 4, they will meet Area A3.

[3] Required in Major; also satisfies GE.

[4] Department offers students a "select from the following" option:
- If student chooses to take PHIL 101, PHIL 103, PHIL 104, or PHIL 105, they will meet upper division Area D.

Graduation Requirements [1]

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (6 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI) [2]		0
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (12 Units)		
English Composition II		3
Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)		3
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement [3]		6

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[2] Required in Major; also satisfies Graduation Requirement.

[3] If not satisfied before entering Sacramento State, it may be satisfied in General Education Area C2 (Humanities). "C- or better required." The alternative methods for satisfying the Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement are described here: https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html (https://www.csus.edu/college/arts-letters/world-languages-literatures/foreign-language-requirement.html)

The following roadmaps are sample planning resources. Please consult your academic advisor and Academic Catalog for graduation requirements as you develop your individualized academic plan.

Philosophy (Ethics, Politics, and Law), BA: 4-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
PHIL 21	First Year Seminar: Becoming an Educated Person	3
GE Area 1B - Critical Thinking (PHIL 4 recommended) [2]		3
GE Area 1C - Oral Communication [2]		3
GE Area 5B - Biological Science [2]		3
GR American Institutions (US History) [2]		3
Units		**15**
Second Semester		
GE Area 1A - English Composition [2]		3
GE Area 2 - Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning (PHIL 61 recommended) [2]		3
GE Area 3B - Humanities (PHIL 2 recommended) [2]		3
GR American Institutions (GOVT) [2]		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		**15**
Year 2		
First Semester		
PHIL 89	Philosophical Methods	2
PHIL 155	Philosophy Of Law	3
ENGL 20	College Composition II	3
GE Area 3A - Arts [2]		3
GE Area 5A - Physical Science [2]		3
GE Area 5C - Laboratory [2]		1
Units		**15**
Second Semester		
PHIL 60	Deductive Logic I	3
PHIL 122	Political Philosophy	3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities (PHIL 131 recommended) [2]		3
GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences [2]		3
GE Area 6 - Ethnic Studies [2]		3
Units		**15**
Year 3		
First Semester		
PHIL 112	History Of Ethics 🖉	3
PHIL 127	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
PHIL 128	History of Modern Philosophy	3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities (PHIL 136 recommended) [3]		3
Foreign Language Semester 1 [2]		4
Units		**16**
Second Semester		
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences [2]		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning [2]		3
Foreign Language Semester 2 [2]		4
Elective of Choice		3
Units		**16**
Year 4		
First Semester		
PHIL 180	Knowledge and Understanding	3

Course	Title	Units
PHIL 190 or PHIL 192B or PHIL 192E or PHIL 192F or PHIL 192L or PHIL 192M or PHIL 192O or PHIL 192R or PHIL 192S or PHIL 192T	Selected Philosophers or Topics in Bioethics or Topics in Epistemology or Topics in Ethics or Topics in Philosophy Language or Topics in Philosophy of Mind or Topics in Contemporary Metaphysics or Topics in Philosophy of Religion or Topics in Philosophy of Science or Topics in Philosophy of Social Science	3
Topics in Ethics and Philosophy [3]		3
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		**15**
Second Semester		
PHIL 181	Metaphysics	3
PHIL 182	Ethical Theory	3
PHIL 189	Senior Seminar in Philosophy	1
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
Elective of Choice		3
Units		**13**
Total Units		**120**

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PHIL 190 or PHIL 192B or PHIL 192E or PHIL 192F or PHIL 192L or PHIL 192M or PHIL 192O or PHIL 192R or PHIL 192S or PHIL 192T	Selected Philosophers or Topics in Bioethics or Topics in Epistemology or Topics in Ethics or Topics in Philosophy Language or Topics in Philosophy of Mind or Topics in Contemporary Metaphysics or Topics in Philosophy of Religion or Topics in Philosophy of Science or Topics in Philosophy of Social Science	3
Topics in Ethics and Philosophy [3]		3
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
Units		**15**
Second Semester		
PHIL 155	Philosophy Of Law	3
PHIL 181	Metaphysics	3
PHIL 182	Ethical Theory	3
PHIL 189	Senior Seminar in Philosophy	1
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
GR American Institutions (GOVT) [2]		3
Units		**16**
Total Units		**63**

1. Any course not completed in the first semester should be taken in the second or a later semester.
2. Please see General Education/Graduation Requirement **course options (https://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/)**.
3. Please see an academic advisor for elective options.

Philosophy (Ethics, Politics, and Law), BA: 2-Year Roadmap

Course	Title	Units
Year 1		
First Semester		
PHIL 112	History Of Ethics ✏	3
PHIL 127	History of Ancient Philosophy	3
PHIL 128	History of Modern Philosophy	3
Upper Division GE Area 3 - Arts or Humanities (PHIL 136 recommended) [2]		3
Foreign Language Semester 1 [2]		4
Units		**16**
Second Semester		
Upper Division GE Area 4 - Social & Behavioral Sciences [2]		3
Upper Division GE Area 5 or 2 - Science or Mathematical Concepts/Quantitative Reasoning [2]		3
PHIL Ethics, Politics, and Law Elective [3]		3
Foreign Language Semester 2 [2]		4
GR American Institutions (US History) [2]		3
Units		**16**
Year 2		
First Semester		
PHIL 122	Political Philosophy	3
PHIL 180	Knowledge and Understanding	3