

Cover page for Sacramento State Philosophy program – Minor

This document introduces the Fall 2023 catalog version of our Minor.

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Context:

- Philosophy's Fall 2023 program changes in minor and major concentrations are now published in the university catalog.
- Each "new" student declaring a philosophy minor / major from this point forward will default to being enrolled in the Fall 2023 versions of these programs.
 - (Please contact a philosophy faculty member or the department chair to advise you before you declare and to complete the form in OnBase for you.)
- Each "old" student already a philosophy minor / major before this point will default to continuing in the pre-Fall 2023 versions of these programs—but we strongly encourage you to compare and declare an upgrade to the Fall 2023 catalog versions of these programs.
 - (Please contact your assigned philosophy faculty advisor or the department chair to advise you before you declare and to complete the form in OnBase for you.)

Overview of Fall 2023 catalog program changes for Philosophy at Sacramento State

Core requirements for all philosophy major concentrations (24 units)

A. Required Lower Division Courses (5 units)

- PHIL 89: Philosophical Methods (2u)
- PHIL 60: Deductive Logic I (3u)

B. Required Upper Division Courses (19 units)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHIL 112: History of Ethics (3u) • PHIL 127: History of Ancient Philosophy (3u) • PHIL 128: History of Modern Philosophy (3u) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHIL 180: Knowledge and Understanding (3u) • PHIL 181: Metaphysics (3u) • PHIL 182: Ethical Theory (3u) • PHIL 189: Senior Seminar (1u) |
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Additional concentration specific requirements (18 units)

General Concentration

Core Electives (9 units)

Three additional courses numbered 150 or above

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Three additional courses numbered above 60 not taken to satisfy Core Electives.

Ethics, Politics and Law

Core Electives (9 units)

- PHIL 122: Political Philosophy (3u)
- PHIL 155: Philosophy of Law (3u)
- PHIL 190: Selected Philosophers or PHIL 192: Topics In... (3u)

Additional Electives (9 units)

Three additional courses from the elective list that appears in the catalog requirements for this concentration:

- PHIL 61: Inductive Logic I
- PHIL 101: Ethics and Social Issues
- PHIL 102: Professional and Public Service Ethics
- PHIL 103: Business and Computer Ethics
- PHIL 104: Bioethics
- PHIL 105: Science and Human Values
- PHIL 106: Philosophy of Medicine
- PHIL 156: Philosophy of the Social Sciences
- PHIL 183: Rationality
- PHIL 190: Selected Philosophers
- PHIL 192: Topics In...
- PHIL 195: Philosophy Internship

Science, Reason and Values

Core Electives (9 units)

Three of the following:

- PHIL 105: Science and Human Values (3u)
- PHIL 125: Philosophy of Science (3u)
- PHIL 156: Philosophy of the Social Sciences (3u)
- PHIL 183: Rationality (3u)

Additional Electives (9 units)

Three additional courses from the elective list that appears in the catalog requirements for this concentration:

- PHIL 61: Inductive Logic I
- PHIL 104: Bioethics
- PHIL 105: Science and Human Values
- PHIL 106: Philosophy of Medicine
- PHIL 125: Philosophy of Science
- PHIL 153: Philosophy of Mind
- PHIL 154: Philosophy of Language
- PHIL 156: Philosophy of the Social Sciences
- PHIL 160: Deductive Logic II
- PHIL 183: Rationality
- PHIL 190: Selected Philosophers
- PHIL 192: Topics In...
- PHIL 195: Philosophy Internship

Note: The name of this program has been changed from the previous Logic and Philosophy of Science.

Optional Honors Concentration (4 units)

1. Maintain published 3.7 GPA eligibility
2. One (more) of PHIL 190 or 192 (3u)
3. PHIL 197 Honors Thesis (1u)

Philosophy Minor (18 units)

18 units of Philosophy, 9 of which must be Upper-Division.

PHILOSOPHY: MINOR

FOUR ♦ YEAR PLAN

Minimum total units required for B.A. Degree: 120 ▪ Minor Requirements total 18 units, 9 of which must be upper-division

▪ Additional courses may be needed to meet remediation requirements in English and/or Math prior to completing GE requirements: A2 & B4

This form is designed to be used in partnership with GE and Major advisors - modifications may be necessary to meet the unique needs of each student. Seek assistance each semester to stay on track and graduate!

YEAR 1	Sem. 1	GE A1	GE A3 (PHIL 4)	GE D (US GOVT)	GE B1 or B2	GE E (FYS)	15 UNITS
	Sem. 2	GE A2	GE C2 (PHIL 2/6/26)	GE D (US HIST)	Any PHIL course	Elective	15 UNITS

YEAR 2	Sem. 3	Any PHIL course	GE B1 or B2 w/ B3	Comp (ENGL 20)	Elective	Elective	15 UNITS
	Sem. 4	Any PHIL course	GE F	GE C-UD (PHIL 131)	Elective	Elective	15 UNITS

YEAR 3	Sem. 5	Any PHIL 100+ course	Elective	Elective	GE C1 UD (PHIL 136)	Elective	15 UNITS
	Sem. 6	Any PHIL 100+ course	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	15 UNITS

YEAR 4	Sem. 7	Elective	Elective	Any PHIL 100+ course	Elective	Elective	15 UNITS
	Sem. 8	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	Elective	15 UNITS

KEY:

- PHIL Minor requirements
- GE/graduation requirements
- Electives (non-PHIL)

UD Upper Division

* Writing Intensive (Complete WPJ or substitute ENGL 109W/M for elective in Semester); WI must be completed within the major.

FL If requirement was not met in high school or through testing, substitute two semesters of Foreign Language for Electives.

NOTES:

- There is unlimited overlap between your minor and GE courses. Consult your advisor to explore course substitutions or alternative paths.
- Students should consider using elective courses to earn a relevant minor.
- Writing Intensive completes the GVAR graduation requirement with C- in WI course.

TOTAL = 120 UNITS



The Philosophy Minor

If you are interested in philosophy, but are committed to majoring in a different discipline, you may want to consider the Philosophy Minor. The minor provides you with a selection of intrinsically interesting courses, but it also suggests to future employers that you are an inquiring and reflective individual with strong critical thinking skills.

The Philosophy Minor is also an excellent choice for students who have not yet fulfilled many of their GE requirements. This is because all 3 lower-division requirements satisfy separate areas of GE, and many upper-division electives do as well.

Students are strongly encouraged to complete their lower-division requirements before taking upper-division courses, and encouraged to take upper-division courses numbered below 150 prior to upper-division courses 150 or above.

Total units required for Minor: 18

Specific course requirements are:

A. Lower Division Courses (9 Units)

Select at least three of the following:

(3)	PHIL 6	Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge, World and Self
(3)	PHIL 26	History of Philosophy
(3)	PHIL 60 or Phil 61	Deductive Logic I or Inductive Logic

B. Upper Division Courses (9 Units)

Select upper division courses in Philosophy to complete 18 units. These can include Philosophy courses taken for GE.

Note: Students who minor in Philosophy are free to plan a sequence of courses suited to their individual needs and interests. However, for a given major, the Department offers certain courses that have particular relevance. Contact Department advisors for course recommendations.