

PHILOSOPHY MAJOR, BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

The 60 credit major does not require completion of a minor.
Note: two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single foreign language at college-level is required for this major.

Required Courses

PHIL 215	INTRODUCTION TO FORMAL LOGIC	5
PHIL/HONS 320	HISTORY OF ANCIENT WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5
PHIL/HONS 321	HISTORY OF MODERN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5
PHIL/HONS 322	HISTORY OF CONTEMPORARY WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5

Electives—choose 40 credits in philosophy in consultation with a departmental advisor. 40

Note: no more than 15 credits may be taken in 200-level philosophy courses.

Capstone Requirement—choose one of the following or any Senior Capstone with your advisor's approval. 4-5

Note: for students who select PHIL as a second major, the capstone requirement will be met by the completion of the primary major capstone.

PHIL 490	PHILOSOPHY SENIOR CAPSTONE	
or ITGS 400	INTERDISCIPLINARY SR CAPSTONE	

Total Credits 64-65

The 49–50 credit major requires completion of a minor.
Two years of a single high school foreign language or one year of a single foreign language at college level is required for this major.

The 49 credit major requires completion of a minor.

Required Courses

PHIL 215	INTRODUCTION TO FORMAL LOGIC	5
PHIL/HONS 320	HISTORY OF ANCIENT WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5
PHIL/HONS 321	HISTORY OF MODERN WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5
PHIL/HONS 322	HISTORY OF CONTEMPORARY WESTERN PHILOSOPHY	5

Required Philosophy Electives—choose in consultation with a departmental advisor 25

Note: no more than 15 credits may be taken in 200-level philosophy courses.

Capstone Requirement—choose one of the following or any Senior Capstone with advisor's approval. 4-5

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PHIL 490	PHILOSOPHY SENIOR CAPSTONE	
or ITGS 400	INTERDISCIPLINARY SR CAPSTONE	

Total Credits 49-50

University Competencies and Proficiencies

English (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#newitemtext>)
Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#mathcompficienciestext>)

Placement and Clearance Exams (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/placement/>)

Prior Learning/Sources of Credit AP, CLEP, IB (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/prior-learning/>)

General Education Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationrequirementstext>) (GER)

- Minimum Credits—180 cumulative credit hours
 - 60 upper-division credits (300 level or above)
 - 45 credits in residence (attendance) at Eastern, with at least 15 upper-division credits in major in residence at Eastern
- Minimum Cumulative GPA ≥ 2.0

Breadth Area Core Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationcorerequirementsgecrtext>) (BACR)

Humanities and Arts (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#humanitiesandfineartsgecrtext>)
Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#naturalsciencesgecrtext>)
Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#socialsciencesgecrtext>)

University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#universitygraduationrequirementsgecrtext>) (UGR)

Diversity Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#cultureandgenderdiversityintheuslisttext>)
Foreign Language (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#foreignlanguageugrtext>) (for Bachelor of Arts)
Global Studies Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#internationalstudiesrequirementstext>)
Minor or Certificate (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#majorminororcertificateugrtext>)
Senior Capstone Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#capstonecourselisttext>)

All admitted students must officially Declare a Major (<https://inside.ewu.edu/center-for-academic-advising-and-retention/academic-planning-tools/declare-your-major/>) by the time they reach 90 credits (junior standing).

Application for Graduation (use EagleNET (<https://inside.ewu.edu/eaglenet/>)) must be made at least two terms in advance of the term you expect to graduate (undergraduate and post-baccalaureate).

Use the Catalog Archives (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/>) to determine two important catalog years (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#activecatalogrulettext>).

SOAR (<https://soar.ewu.edu/selfservice/general/home.html>) calculates based on these two catalog years.

1. The catalog *in effect at the student's first term* of current matriculation is used to determine BACR (Breadth Area

Credit Requirements) and UGR (Undergraduate Graduation Requirements).

2. The catalog *in effect at the time the student declares a major or minor* is used to determine the program requirements.

Students who successfully earn a BA in Philosophy from EWU should be able to do the following:

- apply methods for philosophical problem solving by (a) relating theory to practice, (b) evaluating ideas in terms of both generic or universal humanity and perspectival pluralism, and (c) applying normative standards of truth, value and beauty;
- apply philosophical writing styles in writing assignments and research projects that are aimed at extending philosophical inquiry through argumentation and/or comparative studies;
- critically analyze, using logic and other tools, the consistency and verifiability of their own beliefs and the beliefs of others, as well as engage in reasoned public deliberation challenging those beliefs;
- offer interpretations of the ideas of major philosophers by showing how they relate to perennial philosophical themes such as: visions of the good life, reality versus appearance, the roles of reason and experience, freedom and morality, etc;
- understand the main doctrines and evaluate the arguments that underpin the ancient, modern, and contemporary periods of thought.