

# The Philosophy Major at NEIU

33 credit hours of asking big questions and thinking deep thoughts

\*Course is an ELE-X | \*\*Course is an ELE-DS

## Required:

- Ethics (PHI213) Sections every semester
- Logic I (PHIL 201) Offered every fall
- WIP (PHIL 311) Usually offered every fall (if not, substitutions available)

## TWO History of Philosophy Courses (usually one offered every semester):

- Ancient (PHIL 300)\*\*
- Medieval (PHIL 301)\*\*
- Modern (PHIL 302)\*\*
- Continental (PHIL 346)\*\*
- Classical Pol (PHIL 390)\*\* (c-listed: PSCI-390)
- Modern Pol (PHIL 391)\*\* (c-listed: PSCI-391)

## ONE Contemporary Philosophy Course (usually one offered per semester):

- Contemporary (PHIL 332)
- Philosophy of Law (PHIL 362)
- Critical Race Theory (PHIL 364)
- Environmental Ethics (PHIL 365)
- Postcolonialism (PHIL 367)
- Rethinking Race & Gender (PHIL 370)
- Feminist Philosophy (PHIL 373)

## ONE Philosophy Seminar (one offered every spring):

- Seminar in Ethics (PHIL 393)\*\*
- Seminar in Epistemology (PHIL 394)\*\*
- Seminar in Metaphysics (PHIL 395)\*\*
- Seminar in Hist of Phil. (PHIL 396)\*\*
- Seminar in Social/Pol. Phil. (PHIL 397)\*\*

## FOUR Philosophy Electives (includes classes listed above not fulfilling another requirement):

- Argument and Reasoning (PHIL 101)
- Introduction to Philosophy (PHIL 102)
- Business Ethics (PHIL 215)
- Ethics in Science and Research (PHIL 250)
- Logic II (PHIL 303)
- Comparative Religion (PHIL 305)\*
- Ethical Theory (PHIL 313)
- Medical Ethics (PHIL 314)\*
- Ethics Bowl (PHIL 316)\* NB: one credit hour
- Analytic Philosophy (PHIL 335)
- Existentialism (PHIL 337)
- Postmodernism (PHIL 339)
- Metaphysics (PHIL 341)
- Social & Political Philosophy (PHIL 345)
- Computer Ethics (PHIL 348)\* (c-listed: CS-348)
- Philosophy of Art (PHIL 350)
- Phenomenology & Hermeneutics (PHIL 347)
- Political Thought of Marx (PHIL 349)
- Feminism & Phil. of Science (PHIL 353)
- Feminist Ethics (PHIL 366)
- Theory of Knowledge (PHIL 371)
- Philosophy of Sex (PHIL 374)\*
- Philosophy of Science (PHIL 375)
- Happiness (PHIL 380)
- Independent Study (PHIL 381)
- Philosophy of Religion (PHIL 384)
- Philosophy of Mind (PHIL 385)
- Pol Thought of Arendt (PHIL 387)
- Philosophy of Language (PHIL 388)
- Inter-Disciplined Foucault (PHIL 389)\*

## College of Arts & Sciences Graduation Requirements:

120 credits | 40 credits at 300 level (18 min will be fulfilled in PHIL major) | 1 ELE-X course\* | ENGL 101 | Math requirement | Gen-Eds: 6 credits Fine Arts | 9 Soc Sci | 3 Humanities\* | 9 Nat Sci (one lab)

\*6 hours of hum. gen-ed waived by majoring in philosophy; improving human relations requirement fulfilled by Phil 213 Ethics; 1 300 level and 1 ELE-DS course fulfilled by History of Philosophy sequence or seminar sequence

[Declare your major in philosophy](#) (or [declare your minor](#)).

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## NEIU Bachelor's Degree Requirements

- 120 total credit hours (minimum of 30 credit hours from NEIU)
- 40 credit hours at the 300-level or above
- Minimum of 2.0 GPA overall
- Completed major (with a C or above in all courses counting toward the major)
  - A WIP course in the major
- General Education Requirements [Anyone transferring with an AA automatically satisfies all Gen-ed requirements **except** ELE-DS and ELE-X]
  - **ENG 101** (or equivalent)
  - **Math/quantitative reasoning:** One course, 3 credit hours that has Intermediate Algebra as a stated prerequisite, or is on the General Education Program-Distributive Learning List of Approved Courses.
  - **Fine Arts (FA)** Two courses, **6 credit hours** from **two** of the following areas of study: Art, CMT (Mass Media or Theatre only), Music (includes Dance).
  - **Humanities (HU)** Three courses, **9 credit hours** from **at least two** of the following areas of study: CMT (Communication only), English, Linguistics, Philosophy, Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, World Languages and Cultures. (Note: No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.)
  - **Social/Behavioral Sciences (SB)** Three courses, **9 credit hours** from **at least two** of the following areas of study: African and African American Studies, Anthropology, Computer Science, Economics, Geography & Environmental Studies, History, Justice Studies, Latino and Latin American Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work. (Note: Students admitted or readmitted before Fall 2016, must complete 4 courses (12 credit hours) of Social/Behavioral Sciences courses in at least two of the above areas of study.)
  - **Natural Sciences (NS and NSL)** Three courses, **9 credit hours** from **at least two** of the following areas of study; one course must have a laboratory component (NSL): Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physics. (Note: If an FYE Anthropology course that counts as Natural Science is taken, then only one Biology course may be used for Natural Science.)
  - **Improving Human Relations Requirement** (satisfied by PHIL 213: Ethics)
  - **Engaged Learning Experiences (ELE-X and ELE-DS) Requirement** All undergraduate students must complete **three Engaged Learning Experiences (ELE)** courses, designated as Boundary Crossing (ELE-X) and Discipline Specific (ELE-DS), to satisfy the Engaged Learning Experiences requirement. Three ELE courses (minimum of 7 hours) must be completed to graduate. At least one of the three ELE courses must be a Boundary-Crossing (ELE-X) course. At least one of the three ELE courses must be at the 300-level.