PHILOSOPHY

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Program Description
The program in Philosophy enables students to explore critically various systems of beliefs and values, to grapple with the foundations of their own beliefs and values, to develop habits of critical thinking, writing, and reading, and to use these skills to address real world problems. The Program offers three major emphases in Philosophy, and a minor in Philosophy. Program goals and objectives can be found on their website.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Philosophy

Total Units Required to Graduate 180 units
Major Requirements 66-76 units
Prerequisites 10
General Emphasis 56
Graduate School Emphasis 66
Pre-Law Emphasis 56
Minor Requirement 20 units
Other University Requirements 62-82 units
CSUB 101 2
American Institutions 10*
Area A 5*
Area B 15
Area C 15
Area D 5-10*
Theme 1 5
Theme 2 0-5*
Theme 3 5
GRE 0-5*
GWAR (Exam) or Class 0-5*
*may be satisfied in major, minor or other university requirement
Additional Units 2-32 units

See http://www.csub.edu/schedules.shtml for current list of courses satisfying university-wide requirements.

Note: One (1) quarter unit of credit normally represents one hour of in-class work and 2-3 hours of outside study per week.

Requirements for Major in Philosophy

General Emphasis (11 courses plus a minor)
PHIL 290, 350, 490
1. History of Western Philosophy. One (1) course required from: PHIL 302, 303, 304 or 305, or 3220

2. Value Theory. One (1) course required from: PHIL 333, 411, 431 or 432
3. Metaphysics & Epistemology. One (1) course required from: PHIL 440, 441, 451 or 452
4. Electives (5 additional upper-division 5 unit, graded courses in PHIL) (25 units)
5. Minor (one of the following options) (20 units)
   a. A minor from another discipline.
   b. An interdisciplinary emphasis or minor in one of the specially developed areas (see Interdisciplinary Emphases and Minors).
   c. A special minor from other disciplines, approved by the student’s advisor and the AVP for Academic Programs.

Graduate School Emphasis (13 courses plus a minor)
PHIL 290, 302, 303, 304, 305, 350, 382, 383, 384
1. 20th and 21st Century Philosophy. Two (2) courses required from: PHIL 307, 308, 309, 310, 381, 382, 406
2. Social and Political Philosophy. One (1) course required from: PHIL 333, 411, 435
3. Metaphysics and Epistemology. Two (2) courses required from: PHIL 440, 441, 451, 452
4. Minor (one of the following options) (20 units)
   a. A minor from another discipline.
   b. An interdisciplinary concentration or minor in one of the specially developed areas (see Interdisciplinary Concentrations and Minors).
   c. A special minor from other disciplines, approved by the student’s advisor and the AVP for Academic Programs.

Pre-Law Emphasis (11 courses plus Special Minor for Pre-Law)
PHIL 290, 316, 350, 382, 383, 384
1. History of Western Philosophy. One (1) course required from: PHIL 302, 303, 304, 305, or 3220
2. Gender and Race. One (1) course required from: PHIL 381, 382
3. Value Theory. Two (2) courses required from: PHIL 333, 411, 431, 432
4. Metaphysics & Epistemology. One (1) course required from: PHIL 440, 441, 451, 452
5. Elective (1 additional upper division 5 unit, graded course in PHIL)
6. Special Minor for Pre-Law (4 courses) (20 units)
   a. Economics. Two (2) courses required: ECON 201 and 404
   b. Political Science. Two (2) courses required from: PLSI 314, 315, 333, 370

Requirements for the Minor in Philosophy
The minor requires four courses, at least fifteen of which must be upper division.