

**PERMANENT FACULTY:** The UH Mānoa Philosophy Department's faculty has expertise in a diverse range of philosophical traditions. The faculty includes specialists in Buddhist, Chinese, Indian, Islamic, and Japanese thought, as well as in many of the important Western traditions. The Department is recognized internationally for its comparative work between philosophical traditions.

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# PHILOSOPHY for Undergraduates at UH Mānoa

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**Philosophy is an open inquiry that goes beyond looking up answers in a book. It involves the disciplined examination of our most comprehensive goals, standards, and criteria.** The study of philosophy provides an excellent foundation for careers in law, journalism, and management, which require clear, precise, and disciplined thought and uses of language.

*"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself."* —JOHN DEWEY

## Philosophy students acquire the skills of:

- .. careful reading and interpretation of philosophical texts,
- .. writing clear, succinct and well-argued papers,
- .. responding critically to the ideas advanced by others,
- .. expressing ideas logically and coherently.

## Philosophy majors:

- .. acquire a basic knowledge of the History of Western Philosophy,
- .. become acquainted with at least one non-Western philosophical tradition,
- .. become acquainted with at least one major topic in the contemporary study of philosophy,
- .. demonstrate the ability to write a paper on a philosophical topic on which they have conducted independent research.

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**UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR:** Students must complete 30 credit hours (24 required, 6 elective) which, with the exception of PHIL 110, must be 200-level or above.

**Required Courses:** All courses are worth three credits

- **Logic** (1 course) ..... PHIL 110
- **Eastern Philosophy** (1 course) ..... PHIL 330, 350, 360, 370, 380, 406
- **History of Western Philosophy** (1 200-level, 1 PHIL 414)  
..... PHIL 211, 212, 213, 414 (Alpha)
- **Core fields** (3 courses) ..... PHIL 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 321, 402, 436
- **Capstone** (1 course) ..... PHIL 449 (offered each Fall term)
- **Electives** (2 courses) ..... PHIL 200-level or above

**UNDERGRADUATE MINOR:** Students must choose to concentrate in one of the following six areas by taking three courses (9 credit hours) from one of the six lists below and take two more courses (above the 100-level) as electives for a total of 15 credit hours.

**Concentrations:**

- **Eastern Philosophy** ..... PHIL 330, 350, 360, 370, 380, 406
- **Ethics & Law** ..... PHIL 300, 301, 302, 303, 310, 312, 317, 318, 319, 387
- **Science & Society** ..... PHIL 308, 313, 314, 315, 316, 321, 322, 324, 405, 422, 438
- **Humanities & The Arts** ..... PHIL 218, 242, 270, 305, 306, 311, 417, 418, 436
- **History of Western Philosophy** ..... PHIL 211, 212, 213, 414 (Alpha)
- **Mini-Major** ..... 1 Eastern, 1 History of Western Philosophy, 1 Core, 2 Electives

**CERTIFICATE IN ISLAMIC STUDIES:** Contact Professor Tamara Albertini . (808) 956-6030 Sakamaki D-303 . tamaraa@hawaii.edu . web: islamic-certificiate.manoa.hawaii.edu/about-us

**INDEPENDENT STUDY:** Students interested in advanced studies in philosophy should consult the UG Chair to identify an area of interest and a faculty member to supervise a semester's work. Students then enroll in PHIL 399 (only three credits of which count toward the major or minor) and write an extended (8,000-words or more) essay, suitable for presentation at the Undergraduate Research Symposium and for submission toward the David Hall Prize.

**DAVID HALL PRIZE:** Students are invited to submit their best papers for the David Hall Prize, an expenses-paid trip to read the prize-winning essay at the Undergraduate Philosophy Conference, held annually in Oneonta, NY. Submission deadline is in January.

**SEVA AWARD:** This award recognizes undergraduate and graduate students who combine academic excellence and community service. Applications are generally due in the Spring.

**MANDATORY ADVISING:** All majors are to meet the Undergraduate Chair once a semester. Failure to do so will lead to a registration hold.

**COURSE OFFERINGS & FREQUENCY:**

100, 101, 110 & 111 are offered every term.  
211, 212, 213, 301, 304, 307, 310, 330, 350, 360, 370 & 380 are offered once a year.

**INTRODUCTIONS TO PHILOSOPHY**

100 Survey of Problems	101 Morals and Society
102 Asian Traditions	103 Environmental Philosophy
112 Critical Thinking	121 How To Be Happy
130 World Philosophy I (FGA)	131 World Philosophy II (FGB)
211 Ancient Philosophy	212 Between Ancient and Modern Phil.
213 Modern Philosophy	

**ETHICS & LAW**

300 Business Ethics	301 Ethical Theory
302 Political Philosophy	303 Social Philosophy
310 Ethics in Health Care	312 Ethics in Practice
317 Critical Thinking: Pre-Law	318 Philosophy of Law
319 Ethical Issues in the Law	387 Meaning of War

**SCIENCE & SOCIETY**

308 Philosophy of Science	313 Philosophy and Evolution
314 Critical Thinking: Pre-Med.	315 Role of Models in Env. Sci.
316 Science, Technology and Society	321 Bodies, Minds, and Selves
322 Critical Race Theory and Philosophy	324 Philosophy of Disability
405 Marxism and Critical Theory	422 Philosophical Psychology
438 Gender and Environmental Philosophy	

**HUMANITIES & THE ARTS**

218 Women Philosophers	242 Philosophy and Science Fiction
270 Love and Sex	305 Philosophy of Religion
306 Philosophy of Art	311 Philosophy and Aesthetics of Film
417 Philosophy in Literature	418 Feminist Issues in Philosophy

**LOGIC, KNOWLEDGE & REALITY**

110 Intro to Deductive Logic	111 Intro to Inductive Logic (FQ)
304 Metaphysics	307 Theory of Knowledge
436 Philosophy of Language	445 Symbolic Logic

**PHILOSOPHICAL TRADITIONS**

222 Existentialism: Freedom, Being, Death	320 American Philosophy
330 Islamic Philosophy	340 Hawaiian Philosophy
350 Indian Philosophy	360 Buddhist Philosophy
370 Chinese Philosophy	380 Japanese Philosophy
402 Phenomenology	406 Zen (Ch'an) Buddhist Philosophy

**414 (ALPHA) WESTERN MOVEMENTS & PERIODS**

B Greek	C Late Antiquity	D Medieval
E Renaissance	F Continental Rationalism	G British Empiricism
H German Idealism	I 19th Century	J 20th Century

**PHILOSOPHY IN EDUCATION**

492 Philosophy with Children	493 Teaching Philosophy
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**UNDERGRADUATE CAPSTONE (Majors of Senior Standing Only)**

449 Undergraduate Capstone
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