

Philosophy, BA (New York)

Philosophy is a basic field of inquiry. Its range encompasses ideas and issues in every domain of human experience, and its methods apply to problems of an unlimited variety. The major in philosophy can develop not only philosophical skill and sophistication but also critical thinking and writing abilities that are readily applicable to pursuits in other academic areas, useful in careers far removed from philosophy, and valuable in everyday social and personal life. The study of philosophy can profoundly affect both the thinking one does and the kind of person one is.

There are two options within the philosophy major that students may choose from in accordance with their own backgrounds and interests: the option for no concentration or a concentration in religious studies.

- **Philosophy major (no concentration)**

Offers students a maximum number of electives so they may choose in accordance with their own backgrounds and interests

- **Philosophy major with a concentration in religious studies**

Uses required courses and electives to explore a variety of both religious expressions and methods of inquiry

This program is currently only available to former Marymount Manhattan College students who are eligible for continued enrollment at Northeastern University. This program includes required courses that will be taught on ground at the Northeastern New York City campus.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#additionalrequirementsforbaprogramstext>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#nupathtext>).

New York State Liberal Arts and Sciences Requirements

All undergraduate students enrolled in programs at the New York campus are required to fulfill New York State Liberal Arts and Sciences requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#nyliberalartsandsciencetext>).

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Philosophy Required Courses		
PHIL 1115	Introduction to Logic	4
PHIL 2325 or POLS 2325	Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought	4
PHIL 2330	Modern Philosophy	4
Philosophy Electives		
Complete six PHIL courses, at least three with a designation of 3000 or above and at least one at 4000 or 5000 level except PHIL 5110:		24
PHIL 1101	Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL 1102	Introduction to Contemporary Moral Issues	
PHIL 1110	Introduction to Religious Studies	
PHIL 1111	Introduction to World Religions	

PHIL 1130	Comparative Ethics
PHIL 1160	Introduction to Economic Justice
PHIL 1170	Business, Ethics, and Human Rights
PHIL 1180	Environmental Ethics
PHIL 1275	Hinduism, Buddhism, and Beyond
PHIL 1290	Chinese Philosophy and Religion
PHIL 2301	Philosophical Problems of Law and Justice
PHIL 2303	Social and Political Philosophy
PHIL 2395	Japanese Buddhism
PHIL 3343	Existentialism
PHIL 3435	Moral Philosophy
PHIL 3512	Religion, Race, and Politics
PHIL 3822	Philosophy of Race and Racism
PHIL 4901	Topics in Philosophy Seminar
PHIL 4903	Seminar in Religion

Philosophy Major Credit Requirement

Complete 36 semester hours in the major.

Upper-Division Electives

Complete three general electives at the 3000 level or above that do not double count with the major or NUpath.

Optional Concentration:

- Religious Studies (p. 3)

General Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete courses in any subject code to fulfill total required program hours and fulfill NUpath requirements not met via other requirements of this program.		

Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		
ANTH 3410	Ethnographic Field Experience	
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text	
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	
ENGL 3382	Publishing in the 21st Century	
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive	
HIST 1120	Public History, Public Memory	
HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism	
HUSV 1101	Social Change and Human Services	
SOCL 2485	Environment, Technology, and Society	

Optional Co-op

Code	Title	Hours
Successful completion of EXED 2000 is required for participation in co-op. (https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/cooperative-education/)		
EXED 2000	Professional Development for Co-op	1
COOP 3945	Co-op Work Experience	0
or COOP 3946	Co-op Work Experience—Half Time	
or COOP 3947	Co-op Work Experience Abroad—Half Time	
or COOP 3948	Co-op Work Experience Abroad	

Program Requirements

128 total semester hours required

RELIGIOUS STUDIES CONCENTRATION

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
Required courses cannot be used to fulfill other major requirements:		
PHIL 1110	Introduction to Religious Studies	4
PHIL 4903	Seminar in Religion	4
Complete one of the following not used to fulfill major requirements:		4
PHIL 1111	Introduction to World Religions	
PHIL 1130	Comparative Ethics	
PHIL 1275	Hinduism, Buddhism, and Beyond	
PHIL 1280	Islam: Rituals, Traditions, and Debates	
PHIL 1285	Jewish Religion and Culture	
PHIL 1290	Chinese Philosophy and Religion	
PHIL 2395	Japanese Buddhism	
PHIL 3343	Existentialism	
PHIL 3512	Religion, Race, and Politics	