

University of Georgia
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Undergraduate Handbook 2013-14

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FACILITIES

ACCESS TO MAIN OFFICE

We welcome faculty and students. Feel free to stop by during the day. The usual office hours are 8-5 daily Monday through Friday. Please let us know how we may be of help.

MAIL ROOM AND BULLETIN BOARDS

Faculty and Graduate Student mail boxes are located in the mail room. If an undergraduate student wishes to place something in a faculty box, this must be done through one of the persons in the main office. Outside the mail room and in the main hall is a television monitor on which important announcements are posted. The student will find the announcements of scholarship competitions, guest speakers, and the like. It is important for the student to view this monitor on a regular basis.

RESOURCES

DEPARTMENTAL

The department offers A.B., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in Philosophy. The department also participates in a master s level artificial intelligence program and is associated with the Environmental Ethics Certificate Program and the Women's Studies Program. Courses offered for these programs are also available to our students.

The University's Main Library contains three million volumes, including an excellent collection in philosophy. The Library is connected to all major research libraries in the United States.

COLLOQUIUM SERIES

The department has an active colloquium series. Through the program of guest speakers, each year a number of people famous in their respective area, come from around the world to present papers, lectures, and conferences all of which is open to the undergraduate student.

COMPUTER NETWORK

The campus-wide network connects virtually all the multi-user computers on campus. It is part of the Internet. You can log on from the Main Library. You may also acquire a free UGA e-mail account and we encourage all undergraduate to do so. *We also ask that when you get your new account, you notify the departmental office of your e-mail address.* We use e-mail to communicate with our students concerning upcoming events, meetings, and notices. If you object to our using your e-mail address for our majors list, please notify the office.

Computer labs in the Main Library and elsewhere on campus are provided primarily for student word processing, laser printing, and logging into other systems on the network. They are open to all University students.

IMPORTANT E-MAIL ADDRESSES:

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 UGA Career Center.....http://www.career.uga.edu/
 UGA CURO Program.....http://curo.uga.edu/

USEFUL COMPUTER AND NETWORK ADDRESSES:

UGAMailwww.ugamail.uga.edu
 Philosophy Home Pagewww.phil.uga.edu
 University Home Pagewww.uga.edu
 Libraries Home Page (Galil).....www.gil.uga.edu
 Arts & Sciences.....www.ben.franklin.uga.edu
 UGA Bulletin Boardwww.bulletin.uga.edu
 Philosophers Index.....instructions for reaching the PI on the UGA library system
 can be found on the Links page at www.phil.uga.edu

PHI SIGMA TAU

The national philosophy honor society sponsors guest speakers throughout the year. The mission of the club is to promote interest in and discussion of philosophical issues. Over the years, Phi Sigma Tau has sought to complete this mission by hosting graduate student conferences, organizing a lecture series by professors from our university, hosting philosophical conferences, and sponsoring visiting speakers. Phi Sigma Tau is open to all undergraduate and graduate students. It is easy to join Phi Sigma Tau; complete a form and pay a one-time fee of \$25.00. As a member of Phi Sigma Tau, you will receive copies of the journal Dialogue.

The more members that we have to join the more likely we are to receive funding from Student Activities. As the population and the number of clubs on campus has grown, competition for funds has become more intense. Therefore, the more members we can claim the better. The e-mail contact address for Phi Sigma Tau is ugaphilosophyclub@gmail.com.

UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS

HORACE B. RUSSELL PRIZE AWARD

The Horace B. Russell Prize, in the amount of \$200.00, is awarded each year to the undergraduate who writes the best essay in ethics. Applications should be submitted no later than the midpoint of the Spring Semester.

RICHARD H. SEVERENS SCHOLARSHIP

The Richard H. Severens Scholarship is awarded each year to a senior who is an Honors philosophy major. All seniors who are Honors philosophy majors enrolled in the Fall Semester will automatically be considered for the scholarship to be made available in the Spring Semester. Honors thesis plans will be a criterion in awarding the scholarship, and the recipient must also hold a GPA of at least 3.15 during the scholarship period. The Richard H. Severens Scholarship is made possible by the donors of the Richard H. Severens Scholarship Fund.

DANIEL HART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship recognizes junior or senior-level students who exhibit a broad intellectual curiosity and philosophical creativity. Applicants must also demonstrate significant financial need. Scholarship awards may be applied to the recipient's tuition and fees, books, or other academic materials. The scholarship may also be applied to travel expenses relating to the presentation of philosophy papers at academic conferences. Applications are taken early in the Spring Term.

FRANK R. HARRISON SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship recognizes junior or senior-level students who exhibit excellent in grades as well as an interest in issues in the Philosophy of Religion. This interest is shown by overall course work immediately related to central questions in the Philosophy of Religion, and a submitted research paper dealing with a topic directly related to the Philosophy of Religion. Applications are taken early in the Spring Term.

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PHILOSOPHY (A.B.)
Semester Degree Requirements

Go to this UGA catalogue Link for Major Requirements:

<http://bulletin.uga.edu/MajorSpecific.aspx?MajorId=127>

In summary, an undergraduate Philosophy major must complete all of the requirements of the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences for graduation as well as have a second literature course, four semesters of the same foreign language. The major student must also complete PHIL 2010/2010H, PHIL 2030/2030H and PHIL 2500/2500H with a grade of “C” or higher. The major student must also complete PHIL 3000 and PHIL 3013, and six further Philosophy courses at the three thousand level or above. Each course must be completed with a grade of “C” or higher.

GUIDELINES FOR THE PHILOSOPHY MAJOR PORTFOLIO

Each philosophy major is required to submit to the department a Major Portfolio as part of their graduation requirements. The following are guidelines to help you accomplish this task without too much trouble. You are required to choose a faculty member, other than your scheduling advisor, to serve as your **Academic Career Advisor**. This faculty member will be assisting you in your preparation of the Major Portfolio, to discuss career choices or opportunities for graduate study, and will administer the **exit interview**. This should be done as soon as you are being advised in the department. If you have chosen someone and later decide to change, you are permitted to make one (1) change. You should be in contact with your advisor as soon as you have chosen him/her to make arrangement for your meeting(s).

1. During the final semester of enrollment each major shall submit a *major portfolio* consisting of the following: (i) the major requirements completion form which includes a list of all philosophy courses taken; (ii) an example of the student’s best written work; (iii) a statement summarizing the student’s expectations as a beginning major, the student’s current expectations, outstanding features of the student’s course of study (positive and negative), and any advice or recommendations the student has for the department; and (iv) a brief report of the results of the exit interview with the academic career advisor designed to assess the major’s knowledge in some of the following areas of philosophy: history, metaphysics, epistemology, logic, and ethics. ***NOTE: If your Major Portfolio is not turned into the Department, you will not receive your diploma.***

2. Graduation check must be done with Harriett Gunter, Arts and Sciences, New College, at least two semesters before graduation. Ms. Gunter can be contacted at hgunter@franklin.uga.edu.

Following are important forms which each major must complete and have all of the required signatures.

FORMS FOR MAJORS TO COMPLETE

**STUDENT INFORMATION SHEET
PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT**

NAME: _____ **SS#:** _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

**LOCAL
ADDRESS:** _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

ADDITIONAL MAJORS: _____

MINORS: _____

EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE: _____

Student has signed the Guidelines for the Major Portfolio sheet _____

Student has chosen a Career Advisor _____

ACADEMIC CAREER ADVISOR: _____

Student has completed a Major Requirements Completion Form _____

Student has had a Graduation Check from Arts & Sciences _____

Student has had an Exit Interview with their Career Advisor _____

Student has submitted a Major Portfolio _____

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NOTE: If your Major Portfolio is not turned in to the Department, you will not receive your diploma.

2. Graduation check must be done with Graduation Certification Office, Arts and Sciences, New College, at least 2 semesters before graduation.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THESE POLICIES

Signature

Date

Department of Philosophy
Major Requirements Completion Form

Student's Name _____ Student's SS# _____

Date _____

Courses required if not satisfied in the core:

Requirement	Course Name	Instructor & Semester	Grade
PHIL 2010	Intro to Philosophy		
PHIL 2030	Intro to Ethics		
PHIL 2500	Symbolic Logic		
4 th level foreign lang			
literature course			
literature course			

Major Courses in Philosophy – 3000 and 3010 plus six courses numbered above 3010:

Requirement	Course Name	Instructor & Semester	Grade
PHIL 3000	Ancient Philosophy		
PHIL 3010	Modern Philosophy		

_____ The student has submitted the Major Portfolio

Career Advisor's Signature _____ Date _____

Academic Advisor's Signature _____ Date _____

Make Graduation Check appointment online at <http://appoint.franklin.uga.edu>

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINOR

For the philosophy minor, a student must complete, with a grade of “C” or higher, 18 hours of course work with at least 12 hours of upper division, including PHIL 3000, PHIL 3010 and 2 elective philosophy courses numbered above 3010. If not satisfied by the student’s core courses, PHIL 2100/2100H and PHIL 2030/2030H must also be taken with a grade of “C” or higher.

If you minor in Philosophy you need to register this information in the main office of the department.

All minors must complete the following form and present it in the main office:

MINOR COMPLETION FORM

Name: _____ SS#: _____

Student’s School/College: _____ Degree Objective: _____

This is to certify that the student listed above has completed all the academic requirements necessary to earn a minor in Philosophy. These requirements were completed

_____.

PHIL 3000
PHIL 3010
PHIL _____
PHIL _____

Departmental Representative: _____ Date: _____

Dean’s Approval: _____

GRADE APPEALS

Ordinarily the assignment of a grade is solely at the discretion of the instructor. However, to protect students against the possibility of an assigned grade having been influenced by considerations that are academically inappropriate, the Department has adopted a formal appeal procedure. Before initiating a formal appeal, the student shall first discuss any disagreement concerning an assigned grade with the instructor of record or, if the instructor of record is not available, with the Head or a representative of the Head. If the matter is not resolved to the satisfaction of the student, the Head or a representative of the Head shall meet with the student and the instructor to discuss the student's concern. The purpose of this informal meeting is to explore ways of resolving the conflict. The Head or the Head's representative may make recommendations to the instructor, but these shall not be binding. If the matter is still not resolved to the satisfaction of the student, he or she may initiate a formal appeal as described below.

1. The appeals procedure must be initiated by the student submitting to the Head a detailed written statement of the grounds for dissatisfaction with the assigned grade.
2. The Head shall inform the student in writing that the appeal can result in either an affirmation of the assigned grade or its change to any other grade.
3. The Head shall appoint a committee comprising of Department members having competence in the subject but excluding the instructor who assigned the grade in question. That committee shall investigate the merits of the appeal. Except in instances in which contact is impossible, the instructor who assigned the grade must be given ample opportunity to discuss the case with the committee.
4. The instructor's standards of grading, unless they are widely aberrant, are not *per se* the subject of the committee's inquiry: rather, the committee shall assess the professional propriety of the manner in which the instructor has applied the standards in the individual case.
5. The committee shall determine whether the assigned grade is a proper one. If it decides that it is not, it shall specify the grade to be assigned.
6. The Head shall promptly, in writing, notify the student and (if possible) the instructor concerning the committee's ruling. If the committee has decided that a change of grade is warranted, the Head shall submit the appropriate form to the Dean's office, signed by the Head and countersigned by a majority of the committee.
7. The committee's decision is final. The *Statutes of the University of Georgia* (Article VIII, Section 2) assign to the Faculty the authority and responsibility to maintain academic standards; therefore, except for appeals specified in the *Statutes of the University of Georgia* and in the *Bylaws of the University Council of the University of Georgia* no grade, including W, WF, or I, can be assigned or changed by administrators of the Department, the College, or the University.

SEMESTER COURSES

Sophomore Courses:

PHIL 2010/2010H - Introduction to Philosophy & Honors Equivalent
PHIL 2020/2020H - Logic and Critical Thinking & Honors Equivalent
PHIL 2200/2200H - Introduction to Ethics & Honors Equivalent
PHIL 2400 - Philosophy, Science, and Nature
PHIL 2500/2500H - Symbolic Logic & Honors Equivalent

Junior Courses:

PHIL 3000 - Classics of Ancient Western Philosophy
PHIL 3010 - Classics of Modern Western Philosophy
PHIL 3020 - Nineteenth-Century Western Philosophy
PHIL 3030 - Existentialism
PHIL 3200 - Ethical Theory
PHIL 3210 - Feminist Philosophy
PHIL 3220 - Biomedical Ethics
PHIL 3600 - Metaphysics
PHIL 3610 - Theory of Knowledge

Senior/Graduate Courses:

PHIL 4000/6000 - Plato
PHIL 4010/6010 - Aristotle
PHIL 4020/6020 - Medieval Philosophy
PHIL 4030/6030 - Continental Rationalism
PHIL 4040/6040 - British Empiricism
PHIL 4050/6050 - Kant
PHIL 4060/6060 - Hegel
PHIL 4070/6070 - Nineteenth-Century European Philosophy
PHIL 4080/6080 - Classical American Philosophy
PHIL 4090/6090 - Contemporary Continental Tradition
PHIL 4100/6100 - Contemporary Analytic Tradition
PHIL 4210/6210 - Social and Political Philosophy
PHIL 4220/6220 - Environmental Ethics (Crosslisted with EETH)
PHIL 4230/6230 - Aesthetics (Crosslisted with ARHI)
PHIL 4240/6240 - Philosophy of Law
PHIL 4250/6250 - Technology and Values (Crosslisted with EETH)
PHIL 4300/6300 - Philosophy of Language (Crosslisted with LING)
PHIL 4310/6310 - Philosophy of Mind
PHIL 4400/6400 - History of Natural Science
PHIL 4410/6410 - Philosophy of Natural Science
PHIL 4420/6420 - Philosophy of Social Science (SOCI)
PHIL 4500/6500 - Philosophy of Religion (Crosslisted with RELG)

PHIL 4510/6510 - Deductive Systems (Crosslisted in LING)
PHIL 4520/6520 - Model Theory (Crosslisted with LING)
PHIL 4530/6530 - Philosophy of Mathematics
PHIL 4550/6550 - Artificial Intelligence (Crosslisted with CSCI)
PHIL 4860/6860 - History of Philosophy (HIST)

Senior Courses Requiring Special Permission Status:

PHIL 4900 - Problems in Philosophy
PHIL 4950-4980H - Directed Readings (Regular and Honors)
PHIL 4990H - Honors Thesis

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