

PHILOSOPHY

Name:

CORE REQUIREMENTS (51 credit hours)						
	SEMESTER	REQUIREMENT	Course Options	Credits		
FR Year		Career Exploration & Soc. Intell.	SKL 103	1		
		Becoming a Knight	SVU 101	2		
		Fresh. Writing	WRI 120	3		
		Philosophy	LIB 110	3		
		Am. Republic	LIB 120	3		
		Literature	LIB 130	3		
e Year		Civilization I	ART 210, HIS 210, HUM 210, MUS 210 or POL 210	3		
ophomor		Civilization II	ART 215, HIS 215, HUM 215, POL 215 or THE 215	3		
Complete by Sophomore Year		Mathematics	MAT 114, 115, 206, 221, 241, 242, CSC 213, or PHI 223	3-4		
Comi		Life Science	BIO 114, 126, 201, 212 or 228	3-4		
		Physical Science	CHE 114, 201, PHY 114, 117, 126, or 201	3-4		
	One of the above life or physical science courses must have a LAB component. BIO 126, PHY 117, and PHY 126 are non-lab courses.					
		Culture & Language 1	HUM 235 or Foreign Language Course (or approved F.L. equivalency exam)	3		
		Culture & Language 2	HUM 235 or Foreign Language Course (or approved F.L. equivalency exam)	3		
		Fine Arts	ART113, 120, 130, 223, MUS 108, 129R, 139, 151, 167, THE 106, or 110	3		
v Year		Social Sciences	ECN 210, 215, EDU 200, 250, FHD 210, 250, POL 203, 223, 233, PSY 105, or PSY 230	3		
Complete Anv Year		Health & Wellness	PER 143	2		
Cor		Phys. Activity 1	A Phys. Activity course from PER 100-199 or, 231, 232, or 259R.	0.5-1		
		Phys. Activity 2	 Athletes may only count their sport twice. Only classes with course numbers that end in 'R' may be repeated for credit. PER 203 does not count as an activity course 	0.5-1		
		Phys. Activity 3		0.5-1		
JR Year		Adv.Writing	WRI 320 *must be completed by the end of your Junior year.	3		

Advisor:

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (29-30 credit hours) MAJOR CORE (8-9 HOURS)					
	LIB 110 Reason and the Self	3			
	PHI 223 Introduction to Logic	3			
	PHI 498 Senior Paper	2-3			
Major Electives (21 hours)					
	PHI 355R (Ancient Philosophy)	3			
	PHI 365R (Modern Philosophy)	3			
	PHI 325R, 326, 333 or 335R (Metaphysics/Epistemology)	3			
	PHI 340, 345R or 350 (Ethics)	3			
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COURSE SEQUENCE SUGGESTIONS

- Philosophy majors should complete LIB 110 Reason and the Self (3) and PHI 223
 Introduction to Logic (3) in their first two years. LIB 110 is offered every semester. PHI 223 is offered in the spring semester.
- By the end of their junior year, philosophy majors should have completed at least four 300-level philosophy courses. One or two of these may be completed in the student's first two years after taking LIB 110. The philosophy faculty usually offers two 300-level philosophy courses per semester.
- POL 210 Western Political Heritage I (3) and POL 215 Western Political Heritage II (3) a appropriate for first- and second-year students. Each may be taken in place a 300-level philosophy course in the philosophy major.
- By the end of the senior year, philosophy majors should have completed at least seven 300-level philosophy courses, including those taken in the first three years. The 300level courses should be distributed so that there is at least one course in each of the following categories: ancient philosophy, modern philosophy, metaphysics and epistemology, and ethics. The philosophy faculty offers at least one course in each category every two years.
- Philosophy majors should complete PHI 498 Senior Paper (2) in their last semester. It
 requires the revision and expansion of a paper that was written in a 300-level philosop
 course. The senior paper is a substantial project that should not be attempted while
 taking a heavy load of courses.
- Students wishing to pursue graduate-level philosophy should complete more than the
 minimum number of philosophy courses for the philosophy major and should consult
 with the philosophy faculty before the senior year about the graduate school applicatio
 process and the student's prospects.

OTHER COURSES TOWARDS GRADUATION (120 TOTAL HOURS)					

BACHELOR OF ARTS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

THE STUDENT MUST DO THE FOLLOWING TO RECEIVE A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE:

- COMPLETE A MINIMUM OF 120 CREDIT HOURS OF STUDY, AT LEAST 60 OF WHICH OR AT LEAST THE LAST 30 CREDITS BEFORE GRADUATION ARE AT SOUTHERN VIRGINIA. NO MORE THAN 9 CREDIT HOURS WILL BE GRANTED FOR INTERNSHIP COURSES.
- 2. COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OF THE SOUTHERN VIRGINIA CORE.
- COMPLETE ALL REQUIREMENTS OF AT LEAST ONE MAJOR.
- 4. EARN A MINIMUM GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF 2.00 ON ALL COURSE WORK TAKEN AT THE UNIVERSITY.
- **5.** COMPLY WITH ALL UNIVERSITY STANDARDS, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES, FROM THE DATE OF MATRICULATION THROUGH THE DATE OF FINAL GRADUATION.

PHILOSOPHY

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

(29-30 Credit Hours)

Philosophy wrestles with fundamental questions in all areas of human knowledge and activity. Such questions include:

- How does knowledge differ from mere belief?
- Do I determine my actions or are they determined by causes other than myself?
- Is my mind different from my body?
- What makes an action right?
- What makes a life good?
- What makes a society just?
- What makes a work of art beautiful?

Struggling with and developing reasoned views about such issues enlarge one's capacity for clear thinking, effective writing, and persuasive speaking. Philosophy encourages the intellectual curiosity necessary for a life of sustained inquiry and cultivates a taste for matters of importance over matters of show. Moreover, philosophy's preference for rational persuasion over compulsion prepares one for responsible citizenship in a diverse nation and world.

Program coordinator: Dr. Jan-Erik Jones

Major Requirements (29–30 credit hours)

Major Core (8–9 credit hours): LIB 110 Reason and the Self (GE) (3) PHI 223 Introduction to Logic (GE) (3)

PHI 498 Senior Paper (2-3)

Major Electives: an additional 21 credit hours of philosophy coursework, including three credit hours from each of the following four areas:

- (1 ancient philosophy (PHI 355R)
- (2 modern philosophy (PHI 365R)
- (3 metaphysics and epistemology (PHI 325R, 326, 333, or 335R)
- (4 ethics (PHI 340, 345R, or 350).

POL 210 Western Political Heritage I (3) and POL 215 Western Political Heritage II (3) may be used as electives in the philosophy major but do not satisfy one of the four distribution areas.

Minor Requirements (15 credit hours)

Minor Core (6 credit hours): LIB 110 Reason and the Self (3) PHI 223 Introduction to Logic (GE) (3)

Minor Electives: an additional 9 credit hours from among the major electives.