**PHILOSOPHY MINOR**

**Introduction**

Please click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/philosophy/) to see the Philosophy department information.

Philosophy cultivates thoughtful and respectful exchanges about life’s most important issues and values. Philosophy provides arguably the best education an undergraduate can receive in careful reasoning, writing, verbal discussion, and debate. These intellectual skills last a lifetime and launch students toward greater self-development, cultural awareness, and the kind of happiness only possible through reflective habits.

Alone and combined with other degrees, philosophy provides indispensable preparation for any professional field.

These program requirements are subject to periodic revision by the academic department, and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences reserves the right to make exceptions and substitutions as judged necessary in individual cases. Therefore, the College strongly urges students to consult regularly with their major, minor, and CLAS advisors to confirm the best plans of study before finalizing them.

**Program Delivery**

- This is an on-campus program.

**Declaring This Minor**

- Please see or contact department advisor Mark Tanzer (mark.tanzer@ucdenver.edu) for more information.

- Click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/#policiestext) to go to information about declaring a minor.

**General Requirements**

Students must satisfy all requirements as outlined below and by the department offering the minor.

- Click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/) for information about Academic Policies

**Program Requirements**

1. Students must complete a minimum of 15 PHIL credit hours.

2. Students must complete a minimum of nine upper-division (3000-level and above) PHIL credit hours.

3. Students must earn a minimum grade of C- (1.7) in all courses that apply to the minor and must achieve a minimum cumulative minor GPA of 2.0. All graded attempts in required and elective courses are calculated in the minor GPA. Courses taken using P+/P/F or S/U grading cannot apply to minor requirements.

4. Students must complete a minimum of nine PHIL credit hours with CU Denver faculty.

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**Program Restrictions, Allowances and Recommendations**

1. For those students who major in philosophy, up to two courses can satisfy the requirements for both programs.

2. Religious Studies courses cannot be used to fulfill the requirements for the minor.

3. Courses taken at other institutions must either be transferred as a direct equivalent to a CU Denver course or be approved by an advisor in the Philosophy Department for application towards the minor.

4. Courses not specifically listed here but offered by the Department may count toward the degree upon the approval of the Department’s Undergraduate Advisor.

**Code** | **Title** | **Hours**
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PHIL 1012 | Truth, Reality, and the Good Life: Introduction to Philosophy | 1
PHIL 3002 | Ancient Greek Philosophy | 1
PHIL 3022 | Knowledge, Perception, and the Search for Objectivity: Modern Philosophy | 1

Complete the following required courses: 9

Complete six additional PHIL credits, three of which must be at the upper division level (3000 or above). 6

Total Hours: 15

1 It is recommended but not required that PHIL 3002 Ancient Greek Philosophy be taken before PHIL 3022 Knowledge, Perception, and the Search for Objectivity: Modern Philosophy.

**Learning Outcomes for a Philosophy minor:**

- Recognize and comprehend the salient elements of philosophy’s significant historical figures, periods, and areas.

- Understand how philosophical frameworks and theories expand the meanings and implications of existing cultural areas (e.g. those found in science technology, the arts, politics, medicine, social justice.

To learn more about the Student Learning Outcomes for this program, please visit our website (https://clas.ucdenver.edu/philosophy/programs/program-minors/).