

# PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

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## PHIL 3 Introduction to Logic

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 110)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A*

The use of arguments both in their occurrence in ordinary discourse and in academic disciplines within the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences with particular focus on deductive logic. Deductive and inductive reasoning techniques will be critically examined to establish their logical correctness or identify their fallaciousness.

## PHIL 3H Introduction to Logic - Honors

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 110)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

The use of arguments in ordinary discourse and in academic disciplines within the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences with particular focus on deductive logic. Deductive and inductive reasoning techniques will be critically examined to establish their logical correctness or identify their fallaciousness. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 3 and PHIL 3H.

## PHIL 4 Introduction to Symbolic Logic

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

Introduction to the basic elements of modern logic: the nature of arguments, sentence symbolization, truth functions, truth tables, natural deduction, and predicate logic.

## PHIL 5 Introduction to Philosophy

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 100)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 68*

Philosophical ideas concerning knowledge, reality, and values. Topics will include the sources and limits of knowledge and the nature of reality. Other topics may include the nature of self, truth, ethics, religion, science, language, beauty and art, political theory, and mind.

## PHIL 5H Introduction to Philosophy - Honors

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 100)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

Philosophical ideas concerning knowledge, reality, and values. Topics will include the sources and limits of knowledge and the nature of reality. Other topics may include the nature of self, truth, ethics, religion, science, language, beauty and art, political theory, and mind. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 5 and PHIL 5H.

## PHIL 8 Critical Thinking

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

Effective use of critical thinking in contemporary living, including recognizing faulty arguments, the usefulness of validity and truth, and identifying and avoiding common fallacies in thinking.

## PHIL 9 Critical Thinking and Writing

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A*

Function and use of formal and informal logic, argument, critical evaluation, and language in written composition.

## PHIL 9H Critical Thinking and Writing - Honors

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A and Acceptance into the Honors Program*

Function and use of formal and informal logic, argument, critical evaluation, and language in written composition. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 9 and PHIL 9H.

## PHIL 12 Introduction to Ethics

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 120)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 1A*

Concepts of morality and values, representative ethical theories, and applications to moral problems.

## PHIL 12H Introduction to Ethics - Honors

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 120)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

Concepts of morality and values, representative ethical theories, and applications to moral problems. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 12 and PHIL 12H.

## PHIL 15 Major World Religions

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 68*

History, doctrines, and practices of the world's major and enduring religions. Religion is approached as the expression of one's ultimate concern as a means of understanding the historic and ideological foundations and aspirations of the peoples of the world. The following (or more) religions are presented and examined both appreciatively and critically: Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam. Off-campus assignments are required.

## PHIL 15H Major World Religions - Honors

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)  
Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

History, doctrines, and practices of the world's major and enduring religions. Religion is approached as the expression of one's ultimate concern as a means of understanding the historic and ideological foundations and aspirations of the peoples of the world. The following (or more) religions are presented and examined both appreciatively and critically: Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Judaism, Christianity, Islam. Off-campus assignments are required. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 15 and PHIL 15H.

**PHIL 16 Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A*

Examines enduring questions in the philosophy of religion, such as the concepts of God, arguments for and against the existence of God, the nature of religious experience, whether there is an afterlife, the relation between faith and reason, the relationship between religion and science, the relationship between religion and morality, the problem of evil, whether belief in miracles is rationally justified, and implications of the diversity of religious belief.

**PHIL 16H Introduction to Philosophy of Religion - Honors**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

Examines enduring questions in the philosophy of religion, such as the concepts of God, arguments for and against the existence of God, the nature of religious experience, whether there is an afterlife, the relation between faith and reason, the relationship between religion and science, the relationship between religion and morality, the problem of evil, whether belief in miracles is rationally justified, and implications of the diversity of religious belief. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL16 and PHIL 16H.

**PHIL 20A Introduction to Ancient Philosophy**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 130)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A*

Major philosophers and philosophical ideas from pre-Socratic to Medieval Period. Emphasis on the development of Greek philosophy from the pre-Socratics through Aristotle and may also include Hellenistic, Roman, Medieval, and non-Western thinkers.

**PHIL 20AH Introduction to Ancient Philosophy - Honors**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 130)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Major philosophers and philosophical ideas from pre-Socratic to Medieval Period. Emphasis on the development of Greek philosophy from the pre-Socratics through Aristotle and may also include Hellenistic, Roman, Medieval, and non-Western thinkers. An honors course is designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 20A and PHIL 20AH.*

**PHIL 20B Introduction to Modern Philosophy**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 140)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Eligibility for ENGL 1A or ENGL 1AH or ENGL 1AM or AMLA 1A*

Major philosophers and philosophical ideas from the Renaissance to the present, with an emphasis on Western philosophy.

**PHIL 20BH Introduction to Modern Philosophy - Honors**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU, UC, C-ID #: PHIL 140)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Acceptance into the Honors Program*

Major philosophers and philosophical ideas from the Renaissance to the present, with an emphasis on Western philosophy. An honors course designed to provide an enriched experience. Students may not receive credit for both PHIL 20B and PHIL 20BH.

**PHIL 99 Special Projects Philosophy**

**1-3 Units** (Degree Applicable, CSU)

(May be taken four times for credit)

Lecture: 18-54

Offers students recognition for their academic interests in philosophy and the opportunity to explore the discipline of philosophy to greater depth. The content of the course and the methods of study vary from semester to semester and depend on the particular project under consideration.

**PHIL 312 Introduction to Biomedical Ethics**

**3 Units** (Degree Applicable)

Lecture: 54

**Prerequisite:** *Admission to the BS in Histotechnology*

Key issues within the closely related fields of medical ethics, bioethics, and biomedical ethics. The course will be structured around some of the major "problem areas" that are widely debated in these fields, including the ethics of medical research; human enhancement; reproduction and reproductive technologies; euthanasia. It will also introduce students to a range of ethical theories and modes of ethical theorizing.