Philosophy BA / Accelerated 3-Year Plan (Sample)

This academic map is a sample 3-year schedule to complete your major in an accelerated format. This map is not a substitute for academic advisement. Contact your advisor when making final selections. Courses in red text should be taken in the semester shown. This will help you graduate on time.

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**Fall Year 1**
INTDIS 1003: University Studies
ENGL 1100: First-Year Writing
PHIL 1150: Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL 1130: Approaches to Ethics
LANG 1001 in approved language
GEN ED: Social Sciences

**Spring Year 1**
PHIL 1120: Asian Philosophy
PHIL 1151: Love 101
MATH 1020: Contemporary Mathematics
GEN ED: Communication
LANG 1002 in approved language

**Summer Year 1**
LANG 2101 in approved language
Elective or Minor

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**Fall Year 2**
PHIL 3301 or 3302: Hist. of Philosophy
GEN ED: Information Literacy
GEN ED: Social Sciences
GEN ED: Math and Sciences
GEN ED: US History and Government
Philosophy Elective

**Spring Year 2**
ENGL 3100: Junior-Level Writing
PHIL 3303 or 3304: History of Philosophy
GEN ED: Math/Science
GEN ED: Social Sciences
Elective or Minor
Elective or Minor

**Summer Year 2**
PHIL 3380: Philosophy of Science
Elective or Minor (3 credit hours)
Elective or Minor (1 credit hour)

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**Fall Year 3**
PHIL 3360: Formal Logic
GEN ED: Math and Sciences
Elective or Minor
Elective or Minor
Elective or Minor
Elective or Minor

**Spring Year 3**
PHIL 4440: Theories of Knowledge
PHIL 4xxx: Senior Capstone Course
Elective or minor
Elective or minor
Elective or minor
Elective or minor

Degree Complete!

Control the pace by taking courses in the two-week January term or as Advanced Credit (ACP) courses in high school to jumpstart your degree program.
A philosophy B.A. provides excellent preparation for many different careers and an ideal choice for students interested in law school. It also provides excellent preparation for medical school, business school, and other professional degree programs.

Majoring in philosophy helps students develop verbal and analytical skills that will position them well in today’s rapidly changing workplace. Completing a philosophy major also equips students with a basic curiosity that can enhance all aspects of their lives.

- Recall a broad range of philosophers and philosophies in both western and non-western traditions and understand their interrelations and historical significance
- Read and engage critically with historical and contemporary philosophical texts
- Apply the distinctive methods of philosophy by reconstructing philosophical arguments and deliberating rationally over their merits
- Demonstrate an ability to apply fundamental moral theories to ethical problems and practical pursuits
- Demonstrate competence with formal reasoning tools such as syllogistic logic, propositional logic, quantificational logic, or probability theory and show an ability to apply those to tools in philosophical and everyday contexts
- Apply philosophical concepts, analytical skills, and critical thinking to disciplines and issues outside of philosophy
- Create and defend their own philosophical views, both by writing in a clear and persuasive style and in oral discussion with other students, faculty and members of the community