

PHILOSOPHY, MAJOR

Liberal Arts (Code 400-200)

University Requirements

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Credit Requirements

Minimum total for graduation ¹	120
Upper division credits (courses numbered 300 and higher)	39
Liberal Education Core (http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header1)	36
Academic Concentrations (http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header16)	
Grade Point Requirements (http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header14) ²	
Total	2.00 average
Resident	2.00 average
Major	2.00 average
Minor	2.00 average
Certificate	2.00 average
University Residency Requirements (http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header15)	
Minimum total	30
Senior year	23
Major, Standard, upper division in residence	12
Major, Comprehensive, upper division in residence	21
Certificate	25 percent of credits

Procedures Required for Graduation

Obtain admission to the degree program and/or the College offering it.

Apply for graduation on CampS.

¹ Certain programs exceed this minimum.

² See special requirements in each College.

Applicability of Credits Toward Graduation

Junior College or Two-Year College Credits. A maximum of 72 semester credits earned in a junior college or two-year college will be accepted as degree credits at UW-Eau Claire.

Extension Credits. Credits earned in credit outreach courses offered by UW-Eau Claire are treated as resident credits. Credits earned in extension courses offered by other units of the University of Wisconsin System are treated as transfer credits. All other (non-UW) extension and correspondence credits are normally limited to one-fourth of the total required for graduation from any curriculum.

WTCS Credits. A maximum of 72 semester credits earned in college parallel programs at Madison Area Technical College, Milwaukee Area Technical College, Nicolet Area Technical College, or Chippewa Valley Technical College may be accepted as degree credits at UW-Eau Claire. A set number of general education courses will be accepted from other technical schools. Occupational and technical courses may also be considered for transfer if the quality and content of the course work from the technical college is judged

to be comparable to course work at UW-Eau Claire. Refer to the Transfer Credit Wizard (https://my.uwec.edu/psp/PUBLIC/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/EAU_SS_CUSTOM.EAU_TRNCRDWZ.GBL) or contact the UW-Eau Claire Admissions Office for information about the current transfer policy.

USAFI Credit. UW-Eau Claire will accept up to 32 semester credits for work done through the United States Armed Forces Institute, under the provision for non-UW correspondence credit (see Extension Credits above).

Activity Credit (band, chorus, drama, KINS 100-184 courses) Students may count toward graduation no more than one credit of KINS 110-184 courses. Students may count toward graduation no more than four credits earned in any single activity course and no more than 12 credits resulting from any combination of activity courses (excluding KINS 110-184 courses).

Other Restricted Credits. For other University restrictions, see the following: Cooperative Education; Credit by Examination; Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Registration; Transfer of Credits. College or departmental restrictions may also be placed on Independent Study (399-499 courses), Directed Study (395-495), and other types of credits.

APPLICABILITY OF CREDITS TOWARD GRADUATION

	Credit Restrictions
Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory	
Total degree credit	maximum 12
Major, Standard	maximum 1 course
Major, Comprehensive	maximum 2 courses
Minor	maximum 1 course
Credit by Examination	
Total degree credit	maximum ¼ of total
Major or minor	maximum ½ of total
Two-Year College Credits	
Total degree credit	maximum 72 credits
Activity credit (band, chorus, drama, KINS 100-184)	
Total KINS 100-184	maximum 1 credit
Total Band, chorus, drama	maximum 12 credits
Single course band, chorus, drama	maximum 4 credits
Extension credits	
UW-System	no maximum
Other extension/correspondence	maximum ¼ of total
USAFI	
USAFI	maximum 32 credits

Liberal Education Core

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire measures learning outcomes to ensure that its graduates have achieved a liberal education and prepared themselves to contribute to a complex society. Upon graduation, each undergraduate

will have met the five learning goals of our liberal education core and the 12 learning outcomes they comprise.

LIBERAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS

a minimum of
36 credits

Knowledge Goal

Knowledge Outcome 1 (K1): Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One experience in laboratory science must be selected from either K1 or K2.

Knowledge Outcome 2 (K2): Social Sciences (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k2/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One experience in laboratory science must be selected from either K1 or K2.

Knowledge Outcome 3 (K3): Humanities (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k3/>) Two (2) learning experiences

Knowledge Outcome 4 (K4): Fine Arts (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-k4/>) One (1) learning experience

Skills Goal

Skills Outcome 1 (S1): Written and Oral Communication (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One S1 must meet the University Writing Requirement (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header10>)

Skills Outcome 2 (S2): Mathematics (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S2/>) One (1) learning experience

One S2 to meet the University Mathematics Requirement (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/#header11>)

Skills Outcome 3 (S3): Creativity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-S3/>) One (1) learning experience

Responsibility Goal

Responsibility Outcome 1 (R1): Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

One R1 must satisfy Design for Diversity (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-DDIV/#header13>)

Responsibility Outcome 2 (R2): Global Perspectives (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R2/>) One (1) learning experience

Responsibility Outcome 3 (R3): Civic and Environmental Issues (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-R3/>) One (1) learning experience

Integration Goal

Integration Outcome 1 (I1): Integration (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-I1/>) Two (2) learning experiences

Service-Learning Goal

Service-Learning (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/attribute-SL/#header13>)

30 hours

College Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science Degree (B.A./B.S.)

University Graduation Requirements. All candidates for degrees must fulfill the requirements for credits, curriculum, GPA, and University residency as specified in the section of this catalog titled University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/graduation-requirements/>).

College Graduation Requirements: Grade Point Averages. All candidates for degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences must earn minimum resident and total GPAs of 2.00 in the major, the minor, and the certificate. The resident and total GPAs for the major are computed using all attempted credits applicable to the major including those offered by departments other than the major department. The resident and total GPAs for the minor and the certificate are computed similarly.

Major-Minor and Major-Certificate Requirements. A standard major (a minimum of 36 credits) must be supplemented by a minor (a minimum of 24 credits) or by a certificate (12 to 18 credits) to meet graduation requirements for completing a first and second degree program. No minor or certificate is required with a Comprehensive Major (60 or more credits) or with two majors of 36 or more credits each.

Certain degree programs, which include Comprehensive Majors, may require more than the minimum of 120 credits for graduation.

Acceptable academic program combinations are determined at the college level. A major and a minor or a major and certificate or two majors (if available) may not be elected in the same department or program, except in the approved combinations listed here (<http://catalog.uwec.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#academicprogramstext>).

College Credits. Earn at least 90 credits in courses offered by the College of Arts and Sciences.

Bachelor of Arts Degree in the College of Arts and Sciences (B.A.)

Fulfillment of all University Graduation Requirements (which includes the Liberal Education Core); all College-level degree requirements (major and minor/certificate emphases, GPAs, earning at least 90 credits in Arts and Sciences course work); foreign language competency at the 102 level. Foreign language competency may be met in one of two ways: (1) Achieve a score on the foreign language placement test that qualifies the student to enter the 201-level course in a foreign language. (2) Earn a grade of at least C (not C-) or a mark of S in a 102-level foreign language course (or AIS 112 or AIS 122 or CSD 103).

Bachelor of Science Degree in the College of Arts and Sciences (B.S.)

Fulfillment of all University Graduation Requirements (which includes the Liberal Education Core); all College-level degree requirements (major and minor/certificate emphases, GPAs, earning at least 90 credits in Arts and Sciences course work); mathematics competency at the MATH 111, MATH 112 or MATH 113 level. Mathematics competency can be met in one of three ways: (1) Achieve a score on the mathematics placement test that qualifies the student to enter MATH 114. (2) Earn a grade of at least C (not C-) or a mark of S in MATH 111, MATH 112, or MATH 113. (3) Achieve a satisfactory score on the

MATH 112 competency test. This test may be attempted no more than two times.

Major Requirements

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Code	Title	Credits
Thirty-six semester credits, including:		
Eighteen credits from core courses:		18
PHIL 235	Ancient Philosophy	
PHIL 250	Symbolic Logic	
PHIL 316	Metaphysics	
or PHIL 317	Epistemology	
PHIL 331	Philosophical Ethics	
PHIL 335	Early Modern Philosophy	
PHIL 485	Seminar in Philosophy	
Eighteen credits from philosophy courses ^{1, 2, 3}		18

¹ PHIL 101 and PHIL 120 are disallowed for major credit if taken after the student has earned nine credits in philosophy.

² No more than three credits of PHIL 397 and PHIL 498 are allowed toward the major.

³ Upon approval of the department up to six credits from courses other than philosophy may be applied to the major.

Capstone: All philosophy majors shall complete a reflection paper, usually during the senior year, in which the student analyzes and reflects on his or her learning experiences as a philosophy major in light of the philosophy major's learning goals and outcomes.

Note: Students pursuing the Philosophy major and the Mental Health and Well-Being certificate to meet graduation requirements for completing a first and second degree program must earn a minimum of 48 unique credits between the major and the certificate.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be expected to meet the following learning outcomes:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the major questions, central methods, issues, figures, and arguments in the core areas of philosophy and its history.
- Employ the tools of formal and informal logic to identify, construct, analyze, evaluate, and respond to arguments.
- Approach questions of value with clarity, balance, open-mindedness, and rational rigor.
- Make connections across texts and philosophical traditions and/or between philosophy and everyday life.
- Read and interpret texts in accurate and philosophically sophisticated ways.
- Clearly articulate ideas and arguments in writing and speech.
- Engage in self-reflection and achieve greater self-understanding, exhibiting openness to alternative possibilities and conceptual frameworks.