PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

PHIL F102X  Introduction to Philosophy (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Fall, Spring and Summer  
Survey of philosophers and problems in the Western tradition beginning  
with the ancient Greeks (Plato, Aristotle) and continuing with medieval  
(Anselm, Augustine, Aquinas) and modern European thinkers (Descartes,  
Hume, Kant, Nietzsche). Themes and topics may vary.  
Attributes: UAF GER Humanities Req  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F104X  Logic and Reasoning (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Fall  
Principles of deductive and inductive logic and application of the  
principles to critical thinking in logic and its application.  
Attributes: UAF GER Humanities Req  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F108  Symbolic Logic (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Spring  
This course provides a thorough and in-depth introduction into the  
structures that underlie critical, quantitative thinking. Students will learn  
the language, concepts, and system of formal first-order logic and natural  
deduction.  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F110  Introduction to Political Philosophy (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Fall Odd-numbered Years  
Introduction to historical and contemporary issues in political thought.  
Topics and themes vary, but include questions such as: Should we  
consent to be governed? What is civil society? What does it mean to be a  
citizen? What are the basic forms of government?  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F202  Introduction to Eastern Philosophy (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Spring Even-numbered Years  
Basic assumptions, problems and systems of the major philosophical  
traditions of the Far East.  
Prerequisites: PHIL F102X.  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F322X  Ethics (h)  
3 Credits  
Offered Fall, Spring and Summer  
"Ethic"--from the Greek "ethos" meaning character, custom, usage--is the study of value distinctions. Examination of the nature of value judgments--their historical origins and philosophical assumptions--and exploration of the application of value distinctions to contemporary social, religious and scientific/technical.  
Prerequisites: Placement in WRTG F111X; junior standing.  
Recommended: Two courses in the Perspectives on the Human Condition baccalaureate core.  
Attributes: UAF GER Ethics Req  
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0
PHIL F381  Topics in Logics  (h)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
An advanced explanation of problems, philosophies and approaches in
logics, including classical, symbolic and comparative logics.
Prerequisites: PHIL F104X or equivalent; permission of instructor.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F402  Biomedical and Research Ethics  (W, h)
3 Credits
Offered Spring Odd-numbered Years
Issues in biomedical ethics. Topics will vary but include discussion of
moral principles and problems of research ethics and medical ethics,
such as: animal and human experimentation; data management;
informed consent; therapeutic and non-therapeutic research; physician/
patient relationship; autonomy; assisted reproductive technologies;
euthanasia; organ transplantation; and allocation of scarce medical
resources.
Prerequisites: WRTG F111X, WRTG F211X, WRTG F212X, WRTG F213X or
WRTG F214X; junior or senior standing; a course in philosophy, science,
or nursing.
Cross-listed with BiOL F402.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F411  Classical Political Theory  (O, W, h)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Political ideas from ancient Greece, Rome and the Judaeo-Christian
tradition. Theories of Plato, Aristotle, Cicero, Augustine and Aquinas.
Prerequisites: COJO F131X or COJO F141X; WRTG F111X, WRTG F212X,
WRTG F213X or WRTG F214X; PHIL F102X, PS F101X.
Cross-listed with PS F411.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F412  Modern Political Theory  (W, s)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Political ideas from the Renaissance to the modern world. Theories of
Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Burke, Marx and Lenin.
Prerequisites: WRTG F111X, WRTG F211X, WRTG F212X, WRTG F213X or
WRTG F214X; PHIL F102X, PS F101X.
Cross-listed with PS F412.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F414  Contemporary Political Philosophy
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
This course takes stock of recent currents in contemporary political
thought, including readings from Carl Schmitt, Hannah Arendt, Frantz
Fanon, John Rawls, Leo Strauss, Michel Foucault, and Theodor Adorno.
We ask how these canonical thinkers influence feminist, environmental,
postcolonial, anti-essentialist, democratic and post-human political
theory today.
Prerequisites: PS F101X, upper division standing.
Cross-listed with PS F414.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F421  Aesthetics  (h)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
The nature of aesthetic experience in poetry, music, painting, sculpture,
architecture and other arts; studies in relation to artistic production and
the role of art in society.
Prerequisites: Junior/senior standing.
Recommended: PHIL F102X or HUM F201X.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F436  Ethical Theory  (h)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Major ethical theories. Includes virtue theory, social contract theory,
deontology and utilitarianism with major arguments for and against.
Prerequisites: Junior standing.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F471  Contemporary Philosophical Problems  (h)
3 Credits
Offered Fall Even-numbered Years
Ideological issues facing the modern world.
Prerequisites: PHIL F351; PHIL F352.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F472  Ethics in International Affairs  (h)
3 Credits
Offered Spring Odd-numbered Years
Examination of questions including: What is in the interest of the nation-
state according to the logic of statecraft? How does the national interest
relate to broader human interest? How does morality relate to the
international legal order? Examination is through theory and case studies.
Prerequisites: PHIL F322X or PS F221X.
Cross-listed with PS F472.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F481  Philosophy of Science  (h)
3 Credits
Offered Spring Even-numbered Years
Comparison and discussion of various contemporary methodological
positions.
Prerequisites: Junior standing.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F487  Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology
3 Credits
Offered Spring Odd-numbered Years
Analysis of some of the main models which explain evolutionary change,
followed by consideration of the practical implications these models have
on the study of biological phenomena in general.
Cross-listed with BIOL F487.
Stacked with BIOL F687; PHIL F687.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0

PHIL F499  B.A. Thesis in Philosophy  (W, h)
3 Credits
Offered As Demand Warrants
Writing the senior thesis in philosophy.
Prerequisites: WRTG F111X, WRTG F211X or WRTG F213X.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 1 + 2 + 0
PHIL F687  Conceptual Issues in Evolutionary Biology
3 Credits
Offered Spring Odd-numbered Years
Analysis of some of the main models which explain evolutionary change,
followed by consideration of the practical implications these models have
on the study of biological phenomena in general.
Cross-listed with BIOL F687.
Stacked with BIOL F487, PHIL F487.
Lecture + Lab + Other: 3 + 0 + 0