

# PHILOSOPHY (MINOR)

Department Website (<http://as.nyu.edu/philosophy/>)

## Program Description

Philosophy poses general questions about reality, knowledge, reasoning, language, and conduct. Some areas include metaphysics (What is the ultimate nature of reality? What really exists and what is mere appearance?), epistemology (What, if anything, can be known and how?), logic (What are the principles of correct reasoning?), and ethics (What is moral value? And what moral values should we adopt?). Other areas address questions concerning the nature of art, law, medicine, mind, politics, religion, and the sciences.

Everyone tends to have or assume answers to these questions. The aim of the department is to enable students to identify, clarify, and assess these answers, both ancient and modern. Philosophy prepares students for a more reflective life, for advanced studies in the subject, and for professions that emphasize analytic thinking and argumentation, such as law, business, and programming.

## Minor Declaration

To request declaration of a minor, CAS students should email the program administrator at [jhm378@nyu.edu](mailto:jhm378@nyu.edu). To request declaration of a cross-school minor, non-CAS students should complete the online Minor Application available in their Albert Student Center.

## Program Requirements

The minor requires the completion of four courses (16 credits) in the department with a grade of C or better (courses graded Pass/Fail do not count), comprised of the following:

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
Select one (and only one) from the following list of introductory courses:		4
PHIL-UA 1	Central Problems in Philosophy	
PHIL-UA 2	Great Works in Philosophy	
PHIL-UA 3	Ethics and Society	
PHIL-UA 4	Life and Death	
PHIL-UA 5	Minds and Machines	
PHIL-UA 6	Global Ethics	
PHIL-UA 7	Consciousness	
PHIL-UA 8	Philosophical Approaches to Race and Racism	
Select one course from each of the department's three subject groupings:		12
Group 1: History of Philosophy		
Group 2: Ethics, Values, and Society		
Group 3: Logic, Epistemology, Metaphysics, Mind and Language		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

## Policies

### NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

### College of Arts and Science Policies

A full list of relevant academic policies can be found on the CAS Academic Policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/arts-science/academic-policies/>).