



MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

The Master of Philosophy program is designed to upgrade teachers' mastery of the field of philosophy. It allows teachers to earn a non-thesis master's degree after attending class sessions and fulfilling other course requirements for four (4) consecutive summers. It is not meant to be a research degree program, thus, the thesis requirement is waived in favor of educational courses, integrating seminar, and a project paper. This program is offered through the University's Summer Institute for Graduate Studies.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Academic Courses	33	units
Seminar Paper	3	units
Total	36	units

ACADEMIC COURSES

Introduction to Philosophy (PHL689M)

3 units

An introductory course on philosophy.

History of Ancient Philosophy (PHL620M)

3 units

A comprehensive study of Greek thinkers from the pre-Socratics to Plotinus, with special attention to the basic works of Plato and Aristotle.

Bioethics (PHL605M)

3 units

An examination of the major ethical issues of health, life and death raised by recent biomedical transplant, in vitro fertilization, human experimentation, sperm and zygotic banking, and health care, among others.

History of Medieval Philosophy (PHL621M)

3 units

A study of the major philosophical insights of Plotinus, St. Augustine, John Scotus Erigena, St. Anselm, Avicenna, Averoes, Moses Maimonides and St. Thomas Aquinas.

History of Modern Philosophy (PHL622M)

3 units

A survey of the works of the philosophers of the modern period, from the 16th to the 19th century.

Symbolic Logic (PHL645M)

3 units

A study of modern logic with emphasis on the relation of language to logic, categorical constatives, categorical syllogisms, arguments in ordinary language, mathematical logic, the method of deduction, quantification theory, and the logic of relations.

Continental Philosophy (PHL612M)

3 units

An introductory course on continental philosophy with emphasis on the philosophers of existentialism, phenomenology, hermeneutics, structuralism and poststructuralism, modernism and postmodernism.

Analytic Philosophy (PHL603M)

3 units

A survey on various analytic philosophers and their impact to contemporary thinking.

Philosophical Research (PHL525M)

3 units

In this course the student will prepare a lecture to be presented to a group with the guidance of a mentor. The student will choose a philosophical topic wherein he/she will apply the technique of philosophical research.



Intermediary Positions in Contemporary Philosophy (PHL801M)

3 units

Includes those of the pragmatist movement (Charles S. Peirce, William James, Ferdinand C. S. Schiller, and John Dewey), Benedetto Croce, George Santayana, Henri Bergson, Tielhard de Chardin, Alfred North Whitehead, and the Neo-Thomists (Etienne Gilson, Jacques Maritain, Norris Clarke).

Philosophical Comprehensive Review (PHL802M)

3 units

The first half of the course will be devoted to a review of the various philosophical movements, schools, and traditions; then a series of comprehensive examinations at certain intervals will be given to determine the level of absorption and the quality of education which the student has internalized.

SEMINAR PAPER

Seminar Paper/Project and Presentation (PHL803M)

3 units

In this course the student is given the opportunity to present his/her paper/project to a group. He/she will demonstrate his/her competence as a teacher.