

Philosophy (B.A.) Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree Path - Catalog 2024-25

Semester 1	Credits	Success Ma
PHIL Elective: 100/200 level	3	
ENGL 103	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
Foundational Studies: Quantitative	3	
Knowledge Domain	3	
UNIV 101 (optional)	1	
Total hours	15-16	

Notes/Comments: Previous language background may reduce or eliminate the foreign language requirement for the B.A. degree. Take the appropriate foreign language placement test.

Semester 2	Credits	s
PHIL 205	3	
ENGL 203	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
COMS 100	3	
Knowledge Domain	3	
Total hours	15	

Notes/Comments: Two writing-infused courses and one human diversity course are required prior to graduation. Overlap with other requirements is possible. For more information, see www.catalog.niu.edu.

Semester 3	Credits	Success Marke
Philosophy Area Requirement	3	
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	
Knowledge Domain	3	
Knowledge Domain	3	
Knowledge Domain	3	
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Semester 4	Credits	Success Marker
Philosophy Area Requirement	3	• ENGL 250, IHHS 350, MATH 155, 201, 210, 211, 229, PHIL
Foreign Language (B.A. Requirement)	3	105, or PSYC 305
Elective	3	
Elective	3	
Minor Requirement	3	
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Semester 5	Credits	Success Marker
Philosophy Area Requirement	3	Only if admitted to the program
PHIL 301 (or substitution)	3	Of the 15 elective hours in Philosophy required, no more than
Elective	3	9 may be at the 100/200 level
Elective	3	
Minor Requirement	3	At least / Semester nours of  400-level course work in
Total hours	10	philosophy is required to complete the major
Notes/Comments:		

Semester 6	Credits	Success Marker
Philosophy Area Requirement	3	Of the 15 elective hours in Philosophy required, no more than
Philosophy: Elective	3	9 may be at the 100/200 level
Elective	3	
Minor Requirement	3	400-level course work in
Minor Requirement	3	philosophy is required to complete
Total hours	15	
Notes/Comments:		

Semester 7	Credits	Success Marker
Philosophy: Elective	3	<ul> <li>Apply for graduation (2/1 for May, 6/15 for August, or 9/1 for</li> </ul>
Philosophy: Elective	3	December)
Minor Requirement	3	<ul> <li>Of the 15 elective hours in Philosophy required, no more than</li> </ul>
Elective	3	9 may be at the 100/200 level
Elective	3	At least 7 Semester hours of
		400-level course work in philosophy is required to complete
Total hours	15	the major
Notes/Comments:		

Semester 8	Credits	Success Marker
PHIL Elective: 400 level	3	Of the 15 elective hours in Philosophy required, no more than
PHIL 495 (Writing-infused course)	1	9 may be at the 100/200 level
Minor Requirement	3	
Elective	3	400-level course work in
Elective	3	philosophy is required to complete
Elective	3	
Total hours	16	
Notes/Comments: Students must complete 40 credit hours of 300/400 level		

Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam scores in math as well as the completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor each Semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.

coursework to graduate.