

B.A. in Philosophy (1514)

Academic Program Guide (Effective Spring 2025) Department of Philosophy and World Religions (philosophy@rowan.edu)

Students should follow the guide for their program and start year in consultation with their advisor.

Rowan University Graduation Requirements for all Majors / Degrees

- Students must complete at least 120 semester hours (sh) of coursework that apply to their Rowan University degree.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in Rowan University coursework. (Transfer courses/credit do not count toward the RU GPA.)
- A minimum of 30 sh of coursework must be completed at/through Rowan University.
- Only grades of "D-" or above may apply to graduation/degree requirements. (Some programs may set higher minimums.)
- Students must meet the Rowan Core and Rowan Experience Requirements.
 - An individual course can potentially satisfy one Rowan Core literacy and/or multiple Rowan Experience attributes.
 - Rowan Core & Rowan Experience designations are listed in course details in Section Tally (www.rowan.edu/registrar) and may also be searched on that site under "Attributes." A list of Rowan Core courses is here: <https://confluence.rowan.edu/display/AS/Rowan+Core+Course+List>.
- Students must apply for graduation and should do so for the term in which they will complete all program requirements.

Program-Specific Graduation Requirements for this Major / Degree

- Only courses taken as free electives can be taken on a P/NC basis.

Rowan Core Requirements¹

Students must satisfy all six Rowan Core Literacies. A minimum total of 3 sh of coursework is required to satisfy each Literacy. With the exception of the 9 sh counted here for Communicative Literacy, credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (COML) Communicative Literacy: *Must be met by the following three courses or their official equivalents:*
- COMP 01111 College Composition I (3 sh)
 COMP 01112 College Composition II (3 sh)
 CMS 04205 Public Speaking (3 sh)
- (ARTL) Artistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
- (GLBL) Global Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
- (HUML) Humanistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
- (QNTL) Quantitative Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
- (SCIL) Scientific Literacy *Recommendation from major:*

Subtotal of credits counted in this section: 9 sh

Rowan Experience Requirements

Students must satisfy all three Rowan Experience attributes. Credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (LIT) Broad-Based Literature Attribute *Recommendation from major:*
- (WI) Writing Intensive Attribute *Recommendation from major:*
- (RS) Rowan Seminar Attribute² *Recommendation from major:*

Non-Program Courses (minimum 18 sh)

Courses in this section cannot be in the major department.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
Experiential Learning		Choose one course from the bank of experiential learning courses below.			0-6
Subtotal: 18 sh					

¹ The Rowan Core requirements are waived for transfer students with an earned A.A. or A.S. degree from a NJ community/county college.

² The Rowan Seminar requirement is waived for all students transferring 24 or more approved credits into Rowan University at the time of initial entry.

B.A. in Philosophy (1514)

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Choose one course from the following bank of experiential learning course:

Course #	Course Name
<input type="radio"/> AFST 11310	Service-Learning Seminar in Africana Studies
<input type="radio"/> AFST 11350	Topics in Africana Studies: Model African Union
<input type="radio"/> ANTH 02290	Museum Studies
<input type="radio"/> ANTH 02295	Introduction to Qualitative Research
<input type="radio"/> ANTH 02315	Forensic Anthropology
<input type="radio"/> ANTH 02320	Archaeological Field Methods
<input type="radio"/> DPEM 43495	Internship in DPEM
<input type="radio"/> ECED 23320	Building Brains: Resilience and Competency
<input type="radio"/> ECON 04410	Internship in Economics
<input type="radio"/> EDPA 02490	Public Service Internship
<input type="radio"/> HIST 05378	Special Topics: History of Camden
<input type="radio"/> HIST 05495	Internship in History
<input type="radio"/> HSRV 01350	Field Experience I, II, or III

Course #	Course Name
<input type="radio"/> INCL 02310	STREAM 1: Social Studies, ELA, & the Arts in the Inclusive Classroom
<input type="radio"/> INTR 01470	Semester Abroad
<input type="radio"/> INTR 20390	Interdisciplinary Case Studies in the Liberal Arts
<input type="radio"/> INTR 20395	Experiential Learning in Humanities & Social Sci.
<input type="radio"/> INTR 20399	Internship in the Applied Liberal Arts
<input type="radio"/> IS 25350	Special Topics in Intl Studies: Model United Nations
<input type="radio"/> LAWJ 05356	Criminal Justice Internship I
<input type="radio"/> LAWJ 05357	Criminal Justice Internship II
<input type="radio"/> SMED 40450	Schools and Society
<input type="radio"/> SOC 08377	Field Research Experience
<input type="radio"/> SOC 08494	Field Experience in Sociology
<input type="radio"/> SPAN 05452	Internship in Spanish
<input type="radio"/> SPAN 05499	Study Abroad

Major Requirements (30 sh)

SUMMARY OF MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- 6 sh of Foundational Courses
 - 3 sh of Logic Requirement
 - 18 sh of Philosophy Electives (at least 9 sh at the 300 or 400-level)
 - 3 sh of Capstone Requirements
-
- 30 sh total

FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

Choose two of the following courses.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09120 or PHIL 09121	Introduction to Philosophy or Introduction to Philosophy WI	Humanistic; PHIL 09121 satisfies WI; Prereq for PHIL 09121: COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09150 or PHIL 09151	Introduction to Ethics or Introduction to Ethics WI	Humanistic; PHIL 09151 satisfies WI; Prereq for PHIL 09151: COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09211	Ancient Philosophy WI	Global, LIT & WI; Prereq: COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09213	Modern Philosophy WI	Global, LIT & WI; Prereq: COMP 01112			3
Subtotal: 6 sh					

LOGIC REQUIREMENT

Choose one of the following courses.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09110	Logic of Everyday Reasoning				3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09130	Introduction to Symbolic Logic	recommended			3
Subtotal: 3 sh					

PHILOSOPHY ELECTIVES

Choose 6 PHIL / PHRE courses (18 sh). At least three courses (9 sh) must be from the 300 or 400-level. At least one course in non-western philosophy is recommended.

200-Level Philosophy Electives						
Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits	
<input type="radio"/>	Any Foundational or Logic Requirement courses not counted above can be used here					3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09200	Philosophy of Religion				3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09218	Environmental Ethics				3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09219	Existentialism	Humanistic & LIT			3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09222	Business Ethics				3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09228	American Philosophy				3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09231	Asian Thought	Global & LIT			3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09240 or PHIL 09241	Social and Political Philosophy or Social and Political Philosophy WI	Global; PHIL 09241 satisfies WI; Pre- req for PHIL 09241: COMP 01112			3	
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09261	Phil. Perspectives on Science WI	WI & Humanistic; Prereq: COMP 01112			3	
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11269	Introduction to Queer Theory	Humanistic & LIT			3	

B.A. in Philosophy (1514)

300 and 400-Level Philosophy Electives

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09310 or <input type="radio"/> PHIL 09311	Aesthetics or Aesthetics WI	Artistic (09311 is WI); Prereq: PHIL, PHRE, ART, ARHS, MUS, MUSG, THD, RTF course; COMP 01112 for 09311			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09324	Philosophy of Law	Prereq: PHIL or PHRE course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09326	Philosophy of Mind	Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09327	Philosophy and Race WI	Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course & COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09328 or <input type="radio"/> PHIL 09329	Philosophy and Gender or Philosophy and Gender WI	Humanistic & LIT, Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course or INTR 01130; & COMP 01112 for PHIL 09329			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09341	Biomedical Ethics WI	WI; Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course & COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09346	Feminist Ethics WI	Prereq: PHIL course; COMP 0112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09368	Philosophy of Science	Humanistic; Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09370	Epistemology	Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09376	Philosophy of Medicine WI	WI; Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course & COMP 01112			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09380	Intermediate Symbolic Logic	Prereq: PHIL 09130			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09392 or <input type="radio"/> PHIL 09393	Contemporary Moral Problems or Contemporary Moral Problems WI	Humanistic & LIT; PHIL 09393 satisfies WI; Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course; & COMP 01112 for PHIL 09393			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09440	Topics in Philosophy	Prereq: PHIL/ PHRE course; can be taken again			3
<input type="radio"/> PHIL 09472	Topics in the History of Philosophy	Prereq: PHIL/PHRE course; can be taken again			3
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11310	Buddhism	Global & LIT; Prereq: PHIL, PHRE or REL course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11330	Daoism	Global & LIT; Prereq: PHIL, PHRE REL course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11360	Ethics in and out of Religions	Prereq: PHIL, PHRE REL course			3
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11440	Topics in Philosophy & World Relig.	Prereq: PHIL, PHRE or REL course; can be taken again			3
<input type="radio"/> PHRE 11469	Topics in Queer Theory				3
Subtotal: 18 sh (at least 9 sh at 300 or 400-level)					

CAPSTONE REQUIREMENTS

Complete both of the following requirements.

Course #	Course Name	Course Designations / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
PHIL 09495	Senior Seminar in Philosophy	Prereq: 12 sh of PHIL/PHRE courses			3
	Career Event requirement	Attend at least 2 career events			0
Subtotal: 3 sh					

Free Electives for this Major/Degree (63 sh)

Students should choose Free Electives that satisfy any Rowan Core or Rowan Experience requirements that are not fulfilled by Major or Non-Program courses.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits

Total Program Credits Required for this Major / Degree: 120 SH