

PHILOSOPHY FUNDAMENTALS UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE

Philosophy is the study of the fundamental aspects of human nature and human experience. Philosophers study both what we know about our experiences and the reasons we can give for this knowledge. Its primary method is critical reasoning, so students of philosophy become excellent at thinking not just about "the what" of the world but also its whys. This certificate trains students in basic philosophical methodology across core areas: metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and social/political philosophy. Additionally, completing this certificate prepares students for more advanced study of philosophy.

All required coursework must be completed with a grade of C or better (O-10-a (<https://catalog.uidaho.edu/general-requirements-academic-procedures/o-miscellaneous/>)).

Code	Title	Hours
PHIL 1103	Introduction to Ethics	3
or PHIL 2080	Business Ethics	
PHIL 2010	Critical Thinking	3
or PHIL 2020	Introduction to Symbolic Logic	
PHIL 2400	Belief and Reality	3
One of the following:		3
PHIL 2000	Philosophy of Alcohol	
PHIL 2050	Topics in Social Philosophy	
PHIL 2090	Mind and Madness	
PHIL 2210	Philosophy in Film	
PHIL 3070	Buddhism	
Total Hours		12

Courses to total 12 credits for this certificate

1. Students exhibit knowledge of philosophical areas of study in metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and social/political philosophy.
2. Students can recognize and articulate the foundations of critical thinking and effective argumentation about philosophical topics.
3. Students can distinguish between the normative and non-normative claims of a text.