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Semester One: [16 Credit Hours]

UCO 1200	3			May take in fall or spring semester of first year
Stream Philosophy Course	3		X	Choose one course from those listed under Stream Philosophy: Ethics, Metaphysics and Epistemology, or Art, Identities and Politics areas on POS
PHL Elective 1 (1000-level)	3		X	Total of 12 hours required; Only one 1000-level course allowed; At least one course must be 4000-level (unless PHL 4000 or 4310 taken in Stream Philosophy requirements)
Foreign Language 1010 (or CSD 3368)	3			If test out of this level, take appropriate level (FL 1030 may be option for some languages)
Gen Ed Science Inquiry	4			

Semester Two: [16 Credit Hours]

RC 1000	3			May take in fall or spring semester of first year
Foreign Language 1020 (or CSD 3370)	3			If test out of this level, take appropriate level or Free Elective if language is complete
Gen Ed Quantitative Literacy	4			
Gen Ed Science Inquiry	4			
Gen Ed Wellness Literacy	2			

Semester Three: [15 Credit Hours]

RC 2001	3			May take in fall or spring semester of sophomore year
Foreign Language 1040 (or CSD 3372)	3			If test out of this level, take appropriate level or Free Elective if language is complete (FL 1060 may be an option for some lang)
PHL 1100	3		X	
Integrative Learning Experience Course 1	3			LS or FA or SS Designation
Free Elective	3			

Semester Four: [15 Credit Hours]

Foreign Language 1050 (or CSD 3374)	3			Counts as Liberal Studies Experience Course 2 ; if language complete, take Free Elective
Stream Philosophy Course	3		X	Choose one course from those listed under Stream Philosophy: Ethics, Metaphysics and Epistemology, or Art, Identities and Politics areas on POS
Minor Course 1	3			
Integrative Learning Experience Course 2	3			LS or FA or SS Designation
Liberal Studies Experience Course 1	3			LS or FA or SS Designation



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Semester Five: [15 Credit Hours]

PHL 3000	3		X	Counts as Liberal Studies Experience Course 3 and HS Designation
PHL Elective 2	3		X	Total of 12 hours required; Only one 1000-level course allowed; At least one course must be 4000-level (unless PHL 4000 or 4310 taken in Stream Philosophy requirements)
Free Elective	3			
Integrative Learning Experience Course 3	3			LS or FA or SS Designation; If Integrative Learning Experience is complete, take last Designation course or Free Elective if Designations are complete
Minor Course 2	3			

Semester Six: [15 Credit Hours]

PHL 3200	3		X	Counts as Liberal Studies Experience Course 4
PHL 3300 or 3400	3		X	[WID]
Free Elective	3			
Minor Course 3	3			
Minor Course 4	3			

Semester Seven: [15 Credit Hours]

Stream Philosophy Course	3		X	Choose one course from those listed under Stream Philosophy: Ethics, Metaphysics and Epistemology, or Art, Identities and Politics areas on POS
Free Elective	3			
Minor Course 5	3			
Minor Course 6	3			If needed for 18 hour minor; otherwise take Free Elective
Free Elective	3			

Semester Eight: [13 Credit Hours]

PHL 4510 or 4700	3		X	CAPSTONE ; Honors students may take HON 4010
PHL Elective 3	3		X	Total of 12 hours required; Only one 1000-level course allowed; At least one course must be 4000-level (unless PHL 4000 or 4310 taken in Stream Philosophy requirements)
PHL Elective 4 (4000-level*)	3		X	Total of 12 hours required; Only one 1000-level course allowed; At least one course must be 4000-level (*unless PHL 4000 or 4310 taken in Stream Philosophy requirements)
Minor Course 7	3			If needed for 21 hour minor; otherwise take Free Elective
Free Elective	*1-9			*Take enough Free Elective hours to reach the minimum 120 hours for the degree.



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General Requirements Summary				
Minimum Total Hours	Gen Ed. Hours	Writing	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	44	RC 1000 and RC 2001	2.0	2.0

All PHL courses and all courses in Major Requirements area on the Program of Study count in the major GPA.

***Some minors require a 2.0 GPA. See Programs of Study for information.**

General Education Program Model - 44 Semester Hours Total		
Program Categories	Hours	Important Notes – <i>Be sure to check for Gen Ed courses required in your major</i>
First Year Seminar	3	Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Wellness Literacy	2	
Quantitative Literacy	4	
First Year Writing	3	Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Sophomore Writing	3	
Integrative Learning Experience	9	Must choose a minimum of two disciplines
Liberal Studies Experience	12	Must choose a minimum of three disciplines
Science Inquiry	8	
You must also meet the Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and the Social Science Designations. Those may be met within the Integrative Learning Experience and the Liberal Studies Experience.		

Additional Notes:

- Minor outside Philosophy required for this degree.
- Foreign language requirement:
 - Student must take the Foreign Language Placement Test to determine starting course for the foreign language sequence.
 - If Foreign Language 1010 & 1020 taken for prerequisite purposes, they will count in place of 6 hours of Free Electives (3 hours per course).
 - FL 1030 may substitute for FL 1010 & 1020 for some languages; FL 1060 may substitute for FL 1040 & 1050 for some languages.
 - Foreign language classes can be taken in summer semesters.
- Students are required to demonstrate intermediate-level proficiency in a language other than English. Intermediate-level



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proficiency is demonstrated by successful completion of a 4th-semester language course (FL 1050 or 1060 or CSD 3374). A higher-level language course that requires one of these courses as a prerequisite may also be used to fulfill the requirement.

- Placement exams are required for several languages. Should a student place higher than the beginning level, any lower level requirements listed on the four year guide will need to be replaced with a free elective if needed for total hours for the degree. Please consult with your advisor for more information.



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- **Note: Appalachian's language placement test is designed for placement purposes only, and a score on this test alone is not sufficient to demonstrate intermediate-level proficiency.**
- Some general education requirements may be double-counted in the major with departmental approval. Please see your advisor for information. Please note, no more than nine semester hours of PHL courses may be counted within the General Education Curriculum.
- Residency Requirements:
 - 18 hours in the major must be from ASU
 - 9 hours in the minor must be from ASU