PH.D. IN PHILOSOPHY

1. Course requirements
Satisfactory completion of a minimum of 45 course credit hours in philosophy, at least 21 of which must be at the 700 level (not including Proseminar). Students are required to pass the following courses:

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Logic Requirement  
PHI 611  Formal Logic

Ethics Requirement  
Select one of the following:  
PHI 631  Ethical Theory  
PHI 634  Political Philosophy

Epistemology and Metaphysics  
Select one of the following:  
PHI 642  Epistemology  
PHI 646  Evidence and Knowledge in Medicine  
PHI 647  Mind and Language  
PHI 648  Induction, Probability, and Scientific Method  
PHI 649  Metaphysics

History  
Select one of the following:  
PHI 660  History of Logic  
PHI 662  History of Ethics  
PHI 670  Presocratics and Plato  
PHI 672  Aristotle and Hellenistic Philosophy  
PHI 673  Medieval Philosophy  
PHI 674  Early Modern Philosophy  
PHI 677  Kant  
PHI 681  Pragmatism  
PHI 683  The Phenomenological Tradition

In some cases certain course requirements may (with the approval of the director of graduate studies) be waived for students who have completed equivalent work as part of a prior M.A. degree in philosophy.

Research Requirement: In addition, students are required to enroll in and complete 15 credit hours of PHI 830.

2. Qualifying examination
A comprehensive qualifying exam must be taken. Exams are given the grade of 0, 1 or 2. A grade of 0 or 1 is considered a failing grade with respect to qualifying to continue in the PhD program. A student must receive a grade of 2 in order to proceed to the dissertation stage. The student is provided with a reading list in their intended area of specialization. The student studies the material on the reading list, writes a paper of 7,000–10,000 words on a topic central to this material, and participates in an oral defense of the paper as it relates to the reading list. Students can apply for Ph.D. candidacy after they have completed their coursework, received a mark of high pass on the qualifying examination and had their dissertation proposal approved.