

Philosophy Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in philosophy requires any five philosophy courses, at least three of which must be taken at the 3000 level or higher. Students with particular interests are encouraged to use the tracks above to organize their minor. At least 6 hours of course work for the minor at the 2000 level or higher must be taken in residence in the UMSL Department of Philosophy.

A GPA of 2.0 or better is required in courses presented for the minor. Prospective minors are encouraged to consult with members of the department for advice in planning an appropriate sequence of courses.

Learning Outcomes

An ideal graduate with a Minor in Philosophy will:

- Be familiar with a range of philosophers and philosophies and understand their interrelations and historical significance.
- Demonstrate an ability to read and engage critically with historical and contemporary philosophical texts
- Demonstrate an ability to apply the distinctive methods of philosophy by reconstructing philosophical arguments and deliberating rationally over their merits
- Apply conceptual understanding and critical thinking in writing argumentative essay in a clear and persuasive style in some chosen area of advanced study