



Philosophy Courses:

PHI 100: Practical Reasoning **Aaron German** **TR 11:00-12:15**
The development of skills essential for the analysis and evaluation of reasoning and argumentation of kinds commonly encountered in essays, textbooks, news media, discussions, lectures, and work situations.

PHI 110: Beginning Philosophy **(multiple instructors)** **(multiple sections, incl. online)**
Basic introductory course in philosophy. Consideration of perennial questions of the human experience, especially questions about reality, knowledge, self, values, and religious belief. *Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for PHI 110W.*

PHI 130: Beginning Ethics **(multiple instructors)** **(multiple sections, incl. online)**
Survey of theories concerning the nature of right and wrong, emphasizing how these theories can be applied to personal moral choices.

PHI 240: Philosophy of Religion **Dr. Patrick Nnoromele** **TR 9:30-10:45**
Study of religious experience, faith and knowledge, the nature and existence of God, the problem of evil, religious ethics, and religious language. *Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for PHI 240W.*

PHI 300: Greek and Roman Philosophy **Dr. Patrick Nnoromele** **TR 11:00-12:15**
Survey of philosophical thought as seen through an examination of selected issues and selected philosophers from ancient Greece through the early Roman period.

PHI 320: Modern Philosophy **Dr. Steve Parchment** **TR 12:30-1:45**
Examination of some major issues and some major philosophers from the 17th and 18th centuries.

PHI 352: Theory of Knowledge **Dr. Ron Messerich** **MWF 12:20-1:10**
An examination of the nature, possibility, limits, sources and value of knowledge of minds and the world.

PHI 371: Symbolic Logic **Dr. Ron Messerich** **MWF 1:25-2:15**
Basic introduction to modern symbolic logic: propositional logic, first order predicate logic, proofs and metaproofs, and nature and properties of formal logic systems.

PHI 383W: Health & Biomedical Ethics, Writing Intensive **Dr. Laura Newhart** **TR 2:00-3:15 & Online**
An examination of the value-issues which surround problems that arise or in health-related fields and whose resolution calls for moral judgments. Typical problems would include: euthanasia, experimentation with humans, behavior control, genetic engineering, and distribution of health care facilities. *Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102. Credit will not be awarded for both PHI 383 and PHI 383W.*

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PHI 385/ENV 385: Environmental Ethics Dr. Matthew Pianalto MWF 11:15-12:05

An examination of historical and contemporary views of the values and rights of nature. Possible topics include animal rights, conservationism, the land ethic, stewardship, deep ecology, ecofeminism, and indigenous approaches to the environment.

PHI 388/REL 370: Christian Ethics Dr. Mike Austin TR 12:30-1:45

In this course we will study Christian morality as it relates to both the individual and social spheres of life. We will consider how a Christian moral perspective might adopt and adapt the main ideas of virtue theory. We will also explore and evaluate particular Christian conceptions of individual virtues, including forgiveness, compassion, wisdom, contentment, and open-mindedness, among others. Finally, we will study several different philosophical views of the possible connections between Christianity and social justice. Christian moral thought includes a commitment to justice, but there is disagreement about what that commitment entails. We will trace the implications of some prominent Christian views of social justice for contemporary moral issues such as healthcare reform, immigration, and our obligations to the poor.

PHI 499: Senior Thesis Dr. Laura Newhart Time TBA

Supervised, independent thesis for seniors majoring in philosophy. *Prerequisite: consult with department chair before enrolling.*

PHI 552W/752: Modern Political Theory Dr. Steve Barracca M 6:00-8:45

Examination of Western political theory from Renaissance to the Mid-Twentieth Century. Writing-intensive. Cross listed as POL 552. *Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for POL 552.*

Religion Courses:

REL 301: World Religions (multiple instructors) (multiple sections, incl. online)

Study of the basic notions found in the world's great religions. Attention is given to the historical context of the development of these religions and to the doctrines, rituals and literature produced by them. *Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for REL 301W.*

**REL 301W: World Religions,
Writing Intensive Dr. Abraham Veléz TR 9:30-10:45**

A writing intensive study of the basic notions found in the world's great religions. Attention is given to the historical context of the development of these religions and to the doctrines, rituals and literature produced by them. *Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105 (B) or HON 102 (B). Credit will not be awarded to students who have credit for REL 301.*

REL 335: Islam Dr. Jefferson Calico TR 2:00-3:15

A study of the origins and religious development of Islam by an examination of the Koran and the writings of some major Islamic thinkers. *Prerequisite: ENG 102 or 105(B) or HON 102.*

REL 350: Buddhism Dr. Abraham Veléz TR 11:00-12:15

A critical introduction to the main beliefs and practices of Buddhism, from its origins in India to its most traditional manifestations in Asia and its latest developments in Europe and North America. *Prerequisite: ENG102 or 105(B) or HON 102.*

For more information, see the online course schedule, contact the department at 859-622-1400, or visit:
<http://www.philosophy.eku.edu> or <http://www.religion.eku.edu>.