

B.S. Philosophy

Kansas State University
Office of Pre-law Advising

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The study of philosophy offers a breadth of knowledge, reasoning and writing skills. Additionally, this program encourages strong critical thinking skills and the ability to understand complex issues. Philosophy students gain an understanding of traditional philosophical subjects:

- The nature and justification of moral values.
- Religious and scientific explanations of the world.
- The rationality of social institutions.
- The nature of reasoning and argument.

Philosophy pre-law students will also have the opportunity to engage with law-specific topics such as:

- The nature of the law.
- The relation between morality and law.
- Causation in tort and negligence law.
- Counter-factual reasoning in the law.

Department of Philosophy
k-state.edu/philos

Admissions requirements

- Be admitted for the summer or fall term.
- Submit a program application at k-state.edu/prelaw/lead.
- Have a minimum high school 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 unweighted scale.
- Have an ACT score of at least 26, or an SAT of at least 1170.

Application timeline

- Feb. 1: Priority deadline to apply.
- March 1: Priority deadline to file the FAFSA.
- Early March: Program committee will review qualified applications.
- Mid-March: Applicants will be notified of admissions decisions by mail.

** Pre-law track of major requires PHILO 535: Philosophy of Law and either PHILO 525: Social and Political Philosophy or PHILO 585: Ethics.*

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First year, fall semester

Course	No. of hours
College Algebra	3
Expository Writing I	3
Social science course	3
PHILO 301: History of Philosophy	3
PHILO 303: Writing Philosophy	3

15 credit hours

First year, spring semester

Course	No. of hours
Life science course (with lab)	4
Quantitative course	3
Fine arts course	3
PHILO 330: Moral Philosophy	3
PHILO 305: Reasons, Decisions and Society	3

16 credit hours

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Second year, fall semester

Course	No. of hours
Expository Writing II	3
Public speaking course	3
General science course	3
PHILO 320: Symbolic Logic 1	3
PHILO 335: Intro to Social and Political Philosophy	3

15 credit hours

Second year, spring semester

Course	No. of hours
Physical science course (with lab)	4
Quantitative course	3
Western heritage course	3
PHILO 345: Worlds, Things and Properties	3
PHILO elective	3

16 credit hours

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Third year, fall semester

Course	No. of hours
Science course (with prerequisite)	3
Quantitative course	3
Philosophy course	3
PHILO 340: Justification and Reliable Knowledge	3
PHILO elective (500+)*	3

15 credit hours

Third year, spring semester

Course	No. of hours
International overlay course	3
Literary and rhetorical arts course	3
Social science course	3
PHILO elective (500+)*	3
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15 credit hours

This is an example of a typical course schedule. All courses must be selected with and approved by the student's academic advisor.

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