PHL PHILOSOPHY

Courses

**PHL.100 Logic**

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This course provides an introduction to the techniques of analyzing and clarifying arguments, and distinguishing good reasoning from bad. The emphasis is on informal fallacy logic as applied to social issues. This course is recommended for anyone desiring a course in practical logic and critical thinking. It is particularly useful for the student of English, Speech or Pre-Law.

Offered: Fall or as Needed
Prerequisites: Take ENG.101
Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:
Degree or Certificate: AA, AS, AFA, AAS, AGS and Certificates where applicable (1.1).  
IAI Course No. H4 906
General Education – Humanities

**PHL.101 Introduction to Philosophy**

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This course is for the student who questions or has an interest in the assumptions on which many decisions, values and purposes of institutions and society rest. The course deals with major philosophical problems, such as reality, and does one’s view of reality make any difference. Knowledge and various ways of knowing will be studied as well as the conflict between those who believe in free will and those who believe in determinism.

Offered: Fall or Spring
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IAI Course No. H4 900
General Education – Humanities

**PHL.102 Ethics**

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This course is for students who want to become more aware of the standards of principles which are appealed to when they judge themselves or others are judged. Different moral positions that have been adopted by serious philosophers are discussed and applied to such topics as repression control, art, religion, political obligations and the role of government. Morality and different views of the nature of man as well as other interests and problems of man are studied.

Offered: Fall or Spring
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IAI Course No. H4 904
General Education – Humanities Human Relations

**PHL.103 Biomedical Ethics**

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This course introduces the student to biomedical ethics. Students will gain a beginning foundation for analysis as related to biomedical ethical dilemmas. Apply classical ethical theories to related topics and issues, utilize basic principles of health care ethics to discuss bio-medical ethical topics and current issues and examination of bio-medical ethical issues using a problem-solving approach.

Offered: Fall or Spring or Summer
Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:
Degree or Certificate - AA, AS, AAS, AGS and Certificates where applicable. (1.1).
General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only

**PHL.104 Philosophy of Religion**

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This course will explore the big philosophical ideas that undergird western religious traditions. We will use contemporary and historical texts to explore key religious thoughts and suppositions. These ideas will be explored by employing the best techniques of critical inquiry and logical argumentation. Religious concepts to be explored will include but not be limited to; Arguments for the existence of God, the connection between reason and faith, religion and science, religion and ethics, and the problem of evil.

Offered: As Needed
Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:
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General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only

**PHL.105 Comparative Religions**

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This course will compare and contrast both eastern and western religions. These religions will be explored in light of their history, key internal workings, sacred writings, as well as issues of doctrine and practice.

Offered: As Needed
Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:
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General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only

**PHL.110 Introduction Critical Thinking**

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This course provides practice in critical thinking, including value assessment and moral reasoning. Passages used in the course include social issues drawn from multi-cultural backgrounds. Students learn to discern the structure of an argument, definitional and descriptive assumptions, value conflicts, and assumptions, and to question and discuss those intelligently. The course is useful for entry-level thinking skills and in performing well in courses in the social sciences, humanities, and other disciplines.

Offered: Fall or Spring
Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:
Degree or Certificate: AA, AS, AFA, AAS, AGS and Certificates where applicable (1.1).
General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only