

PHILOSOPHY

Would you ever think the teachings of the Greek philosopher Aristotle from 330 B.C. would apply to many of the problems we experience today? Most people would answer that question with a “no”; however, the correct answer is “yes.” And at King’s, we have proven it. If you are interested in learning about how the life changing insights of ancient and modern philosophers can improve the society we live in today, then majoring in philosophy might be for you.

Philosophy at King’s College

The study of philosophy dates back to 600 B.C., but its concepts are hardly ancient. While dissecting and analyzing the answers to many universal questions, King’s philosophy majors develop a deep understanding of human behavior and thought processes.

A Future with Philosophy

The classifieds are not jammed with headers exclaiming “philosopher wanted,” but King’s philosophy program provides students with transferable skills that can be used in a variety of settings. These skills include the ability to effectively solve problems, persuade people to look at situations from various perspectives, and debate and determine effective business policies.

Multiply Your Career Options

Because of the unique flexibility of King’s philosophy program, some students select a second major or minor in another discipline to maximize their future opportunities. While any area of study complements philosophy, the best combinations are pre-law, pre-med and theology.



In addition to considering a second major or minor, many students elect to continue their studies after they graduate from King’s in graduate school.

Job and Graduate School Placement

Many people who have earned a degree in philosophy have flourished

in the workplace. Here are some places where our alumni have found success:

- The Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Drexel University School of Law
- Penn State, Dickinson School of Law
- Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine

To learn more about majoring in Philosophy at King’s College, please contact the Office of Admission at 1-888-KINGS PA or admissions@kings.edu.

Philosophy (120 Credit Hours)

Suggested Sequence

A suggested course sequence of degree requirements is listed below. Refer to the college catalog for course titles, descriptions, and prerequisites. Always consult your Academic Advisor when planning and scheduling your classes.

| 1 st Year - Fall | | cr. | 1 st Year - Spring | | cr. |
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| Core Course | | 3 | Core Course | | 3 |
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| HCE 101 Holy Cross Experience | | 1 | | | |
| | | 16 | | | 15 |
| 2 nd Year – Fall | | | 2 nd Year – Spring | | |
| PHIL 101 Introduction to Philosophy | | 3 | PHIL 170 Intro to Logic | | 3 |
| Core Course | | 3 | PHIL 173 Ethics & the Good Life | | 3 |
| Core Course | | 3 | Core Course | | 3 |
| Core Course | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 | | | 15 |
| 3 rd Year – Fall | | | 3 rd Year – Spring | | |
| PHIL 351 Ancient & Medieval Philosophy | | 3 | PHIL 352 Modern Philosophy | | 3 |
| PHIL Elective | | 3 | PHIL Elective | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| | | 15 | | | 15 |
| 4 th Year – Fall | | | 4 th Year – Spring | | |
| PHIL 473 Metaphysics | | 3 | PHIL 477 Philosophy of Knowledge | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | PHIL Elective | | 3 |
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| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 3 |
| Free Elective | | 3 | Free Elective | | 2-3 |
| | | 15 | | | 14-15 |
| Total Credits Required for Graduation = 120 | | | | | |