

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**  
**COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**B.A. DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY**  
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**2017-2018 CATALOG**

	<u>Department(s) &amp; Course #(s)</u>	<u>Completed/ Grade(s)</u>	<u>Needed</u>
<b><u>MASON CORE REQUIREMENTS (*34)</u></b>			
a. Written Communication: ENGH 101 (100), ENGH 302 (C or better) (3,3)		_____	_____
b. Oral Communication: COMM 100 or 101 (circle choice) (3)		_____	_____
c. Quantitative Reasoning (3)		_____	_____
d. Literature (3) (may be satisfied by <b>PHIL 253</b> )		_____	_____
e. Arts (3) (may be satisfied by <b>PHIL 156</b> )		_____	_____
f. Western Civilization (3)		_____	_____
g. Social & Behavioral Science (3)		_____	_____
h. Natural Science (4,3)		_____	_____
i. Global Understanding (3)		_____	_____
j. Information Technology (3)		_____	_____
k. Synthesis/Capstone (3) (e.g., <b>PHIL 309, 343, 377, 378, 421, or 422</b> )		_____	_____

Go to: <http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/> to link to information on Mason Core requirements.

<b><u>COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (*15)</u></b>			
a. Foreign Language: Intermediate level in a single foreign language.			
b. Philosophy or Religious Studies ( <b>satisfied by completion of major requirements</b> )			
c. Three credits in social & behavioral sciences in addition to the university-wide requirement in social & behavioral science for a total of 6 credits. The two courses used to fulfill the combined college and university requirements must be from different disciplines. This requirement may be fulfilled by completing any course in ANTH, CRIM, ECON, GOVT, HIST (except 100 or 125), LING, PSYC, or SOCI & these courses in GGS: 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.			
d. Non-Western Culture			
*The number of hours needed to fulfill Mason Core requirements may vary; see the University Catalog for information. The two courses used to fulfill the college and university requirements for social & behavioral sciences must be from different disciplines.			

<b><u>MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (33 hours required)</u></b>			
a. Logic: PHIL 173 or PHIL 376 (circle choice) (3)		a. _____	_____
b. History of philosophy (6):		b. _____	_____
1. PHIL 301 (3)		_____	_____
2. PHIL 303 (3)		_____	_____
c. One course in the analytical tradition chosen from: PHIL 332, 333, 355, 358, 371, 373, 374, 411 (circle choice) (3)		c. _____	_____
d. One course in the continental tradition chosen from: PHIL 325, 335, 336, 337, 340, 356 (circle choice) (3)		d. _____	_____
e. One course in ethics and social and political philosophy chosen from: PHIL 305, 309, 311, 323, 324, 325, 327, 338, 343, 344, 355, 358, 411 (circle choice) (3)		e. _____	_____
f. Fifteen-eighteen hours of other Philosophy course work chosen from any PHIL course including those above not already used to meet a core requirement for the major. If both the analytic or continental philosophy and the ethics and political philosophy requirements above are met with the same course, the student will complete six elective courses. (list course #) (15-18)			
1. PHIL _____	2. PHIL _____	_____	_____
3. PHIL _____	4. PHIL _____	_____	_____
5. PHIL _____	6. PHIL _____	_____	_____

When the subject matter is appropriate and with the prior written approval of the undergraduate director, PHIL 391, 421, or 425 may be used to fulfill the requirements in analytic tradition, continental tradition, or ethics and social and political philosophy.

**Twenty-one hours at the 300-level or above, including at least three credits in PHIL 421/422.**

**A grade of C or better is required in all major courses.**

**GENERAL ELECTIVES** Only 400-MLSC courses can be used for credit towards degree; other MLSC courses will not receive credit. 3 credits max of 100-level RECR may be applied toward student's general electives. (List courses)


**MINIMUM 120 HOURS (including Minimum 45 UPPER DIVISION HOURS) to GRADUATE**

This planning form is intended to be used in consultation with your academic advisor and reflects the requirements for the 2017-2018 Catalog; the University Catalog is the official reference for program requirements.

**Course Lists (Philosophy)**  
**COURSE LISTS**  
**Mason Core Requirements**

**Written Communication:** ENGH 101 (or 100) and ENGH 302

**Oral Communication:** COMM 100 or COMM 101

**Quantitative Reasoning:** MATH 106, 108, 110, 111, 113, 115, 123 and 124, 125; SOCI 313; STAT 250. The Math Placement Test is required to take MATH 108, 113, 115, 123, and 125. See this web site for more information: [http://math.gmu.edu/placement\\_test.php](http://math.gmu.edu/placement_test.php)

**Literature:** ARAB 325; CHIN 310, 311, 325, 328; CLAS 250, 260, 340, 350, 360, 380; ENGH 201, 202, 203, 204; FREN 325, 329; FRLN 330; GERM 325; ITAL 320, 325; JAPA 340; KORE 311; PHIL 253; RELI 235, 333; RUSS 325, 326, 327; SPAN 325

**Arts:** ARTH 101, 102, 103, 200, 201, 203, 204, 206, 321, 322, 324, 333, 334, 335, 340, 341, 342, 344, 345, 360, 362, 370, 372, 373, 376; AVT 103, 104, 215, 222, 232, 243, 252, 253, 262, 272, 385; DANC 101, 119, 125, 131, 145, 161, 225, 231, 245, 301, 325, 331, 345, 425, 445, 390, 391; ENGH 370, 371, 372, 396; FAVS 225; GAME 101; MUSI 100, 101, 102, 107, 280, 301, 302, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 387, 389, 485; PHIL 156; THR 101, 150, 151, 210, 230, 395, 411, 412.

**Western Civilization:** HIST 100 or 125; transfer students may substitute: the following courses for HIST 100: HIST 101, 102, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 308, 309, 312, 314, 322, 388, 436, 480; and the following courses for HIST 125: HIST 202, 387.

**Social and Behavioral Sciences:** AFAM 200; ANTH 114, 120, 135, 363, 372, 396; BUS 100; CONF 101; CONS 410; CRIM 100; ECON 100, 103, 104, 105, 367; EDUC 203, 372; GCH 325; GGS 103; GOVT 101, 103, 367; HEAL 230; HIST 121, 122; LING 306; PSYC 100, 211, 231; SOCI 101, 352, 355; TOUR 311; WMST 200

**Natural Sciences:** ASTR 111/112, 113/114, 115; BIOL 103, 104; BIOL 213; CDS 101/102; CHEM 103,104,155,156; CHEM 211/213, 212/214, 251; CLIM 102, 111/112; EVPP 110,111; GEOL 101,102; GGS 121; PHYS 103,104; PHYS 111/112; PHYS 243/244, 245/246; PHYS 160/161, 260/261; 262/263

**Non-lab:** ANTH 135; ASTR 103, 302; BIOL 140; CHEM 101, 102, 201, 202; CLIM 101; EVPP 201; GEOL 134; GGS 102; NUTR 295; PHYS 106; PROV 301

**Global Understanding:** ANTH 302, 306, 307, 308, 309, 312, 313, 316, 331, 332, 382; ARTH 319, 320, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386; BUS 200; CEIE 100; COMM 305, 456; CRIM 405; DANC 118, 318, 418; ECON 360, 361, 362, 380, 390; ENGH 362, 366; FAVS 300; FRLN 331; GCH 205; GGS 101; GLOA 101; GOVT 132, 133; HIST 251, 252, 261, 262, 271, 272, 281, 282, 328, 329, 356, 357, 358, 360, 364, 365, 387, 460, 462; JAPA 310; MBUS 305; MUSI 103, 431; PHIL 243; PROV 105; PSYC 379; RELI 100, 211, 212, 313, 315, 320, 322, 341, 374; RUSS 354; SOCI 120, 320, 332; SPAN 322, 466; SYST 202; THR 359, TOUR 210; WMST 100

**Information Technology: One of these courses:** ANTH 395, CDS 130, CS 100, GOVT 300, HIST 390, IT 104, MIS 303, MUSI 259 **or Course(s) from a) and one course from b):** a) AVT 180; CS 112; PHYS 251; PSYC 300, 301, & 372 (all three must be taken and in sequence); SOCI 410 b) CDS 151, CEIE 409, CS 105, ENGR 107, IT 304, PHIL 112

**Synthesis/Capstone:** PHIL 309, 343, 377, 378, 379, 421, or 422;

**Additional Requirements**

**Foreign Language:** Demonstrated intermediate-level proficiency in one foreign language. See this web site for more information: <http://chss.gmu.edu/general-education/foreign-language-requirement> (EDSE 115, 116, and 219—ASL--may also be used)

**Philosophy or Religious Studies:** This can be fulfilled by any course in philosophy or religious studies except for PHIL 323, 324, 327, 393, 460. (PHIL 253 and RELI 235 cannot be used to fulfill both the philosophy/religious studies requirement and the Mason Core literature requirement.)

**Social Sciences:** This can be fulfilled by any course in ANTH; CRIM; ECON; GOVT; HIST (except 100 or 125); LING; PSYC; SOC; or GGS 101, 103, 110, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 315, 316, 320, 325, 330, 357, 380.

**Non-western Culture:** ANTH 114, 300, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 309, 313, 314, 316, 323, 330, 332, 381, 383, 396; ARAB 360, 420, 440; ARTH 203, 204, 206, 319, 320, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 482; CHIN 318, 320, 325; DANC 118; ECON 361, 362; FREN 451, 454; GGS 101, 316, 325, 330, 399; GOVT 328, 332, 333, 340, 341, 345, 432, 433; HIST 251, 252, 261, 262, 271, 272, 281, 282, 326, 327, 328, 329, 353, 354, 356, 357, 358, 360, 364, 365, 366, 367, 387, 426, 460, 461, 462, 465; JAPA 310, 340; KORE 320; MUSI 103; RELI 211, 212, 240, 272, 313, 314, 315, 337, 365, 374, 375, 379, 387, 490; RUSS 353, 354.

**Note: Students do not have to meet each requirement with a separate course; i.e. it is possible that a single course may be used to fulfill more than one college requirement; a single course may fulfill a Mason Core requirement and a college requirement; a course may fulfill a Mason Core requirement and/or a college requirement and a requirement for the major.**