

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY**  
**COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**B.A. DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY**  
**4 YEAR DEGREE PLAN: 2016-17**

<b>Fall Semester 1</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
ENGH 101	3
Foreign Language 110	6
Non-western Culture	3
PHIL100	3

<b>Spring Semester 1</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
Natural Science (without lab)	3
Art or Literature (consider PHIL156 or PHIL253)	3
Quantitative Reasoning	3
Foreign Language 210	3
PHIL173	3

<b>Fall Semester 2</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
Western Civilization/World History	3
Global Understanding	3
Information Technology/Ethics	3
Social and Behavioral Science	3
PHIL 301	3

<b>Spring Semester 2</b>	<b>16 credits</b>
Literature or Art (consider PHIL253 or PHIL156)	3
Natural Science (with lab)	4
Social and Behavioral Science	3
Oral Communication	3
PHIL 303	3

<b>Fall Semester 3</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
PHIL analytic/continental/ social and political requirement	3
PHIL elective	3
ENGH 302	3
Upper-level elective	3
Upper-level elective	3

<b>Spring Semester 3</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
PHIL analytic/continental/ social and political requirement	3
PHIL elective	3
General elective	3
Upper-level elective	3
Upper-level elective	3

<b>Fall Semester 4</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
PHIL 421 or 422	3
PHIL analytic/continental/ social and political requirement	3
Upper-level Elective	3
Upper-level elective	3
General elective	3

<b>Spring Semester 4</b>	<b>15 credits</b>
PHIL elective	3
PHIL elective	3
Upper-level elective	3
Synthesis	3
General elective	3

This document is an **EXAMPLE** of a degree path for Philosophy majors. Students are strongly encouraged to meet regularly, at least once per semester, with an academic advisor to work through their own unique degree plan. Students should keep the following in mind:

- 33 credits in Philosophy are required for the Philosophy major. Details about requirements for the major can be found here: <http://philosophy.gmu.edu/programs/la-ba-phil/requirements/>
  - For students enrolled under the 2016-2017 catalog year, at least 21 credits of PHIL courses taken should be at the 300 level or above, including at least 3 credits in either PHIL 421 Seminar (topics vary) or PHIL 422 Honors Seminar (if enrolled in the honors program in the major).
  - Please note that requirements for the Philosophy major vary for previous catalog years: students can check the requirements appropriate to their own catalog year via the University Catalog, using the box at the top right to change the catalog year: <http://catalog.gmu.edu> If in doubt, please contact your academic advisor for guidance.
- Satisfactory grades are required to receive credit for a course. A grade of C (2.00) or better is required in all courses for the Philosophy major.
- Students are strongly encouraged to group some of their general and upper-level electives together so as to take at least one minor. Please consult an academic advisor for guidance.
- Physical education courses (prefix PHED, PRLS, and RECR) do not count towards the requirement for 120 credits overall.
- Students should select Mason Core courses from the approved list available under their catalog year in the University Catalog: <http://catalog.gmu.edu>