



DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

# **FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY**

## **Undergraduate Studies**

### **STUDENT HANDBOOK**

**2009 - 2010**

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## WELCOME TO THE FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY

**Our Faculty is proud of its long-standing Dominican tradition and hopes you will benefit fully from it during your studies.**

**Ours is a tradition rooted in a life of study, thought and reflection, and focused on direct examination of writings. Reading, far beyond mere information-gathering, is a careful exegesis and analysis of philosophical works.**

**It is also a tradition of dialogue inspired by the great thinkers of the past as well as by contemporary ideas, in the quest for truth and knowledge.**

**The following practical advice and information are intended to help make your student life within the Faculty as rewarding as possible.**

### PRACTICAL ADVICE

#### Your Studies

- Attend all classes regularly. If you must miss a class, inform the professor in advance.
- Do required reading before each class. This will not only enrich your understanding of the subject matter, but will contribute to a better classroom experience for all students as well as for the professor.
- Follow the professor's instructions. Each professor has different methods of teaching and evaluation.
- If you encounter difficulties in a course, speak to your professor immediately. Consult the Dean if needed.
- Start planning and research for your assignments promptly. Work closely with your professor in order to achieve the best possible results. Respect deadlines. Some professors will refuse late assignments or will subtract marks.

## **The Institution**

- Follow the registration procedure.
- Pay your tuition fees on time.
- Keep your student record up-to-date and in order, in keeping with regulations and timelines.
- **All operations and changes concerning your student record must be effected by the Academic Affairs Officer (room 209). The Dean does not accept forms directly from students.**
- **Participate actively in the College's activities. Attend our conferences, lectures and workshops in Philosophy and Theology.** You will have the opportunity to hear and meet distinguished scholars and increase your knowledge. **This is an essential part of student life.**
- **Our College is located in a Dominican House, where Brothers lead a monastic life. Please respect this environment.**

## **Administrative Services**

In order to ensure the smooth operation of Administrative Services, please refer to the appropriate officers as indicated below.

### **Academic Affairs Officer – room 209**

- Information or corrections concerning student records
- Course transcripts
- Loans and bursaries
- Submission of assignments
- Forms (course selection)
- Letters of standing
- Income tax statements

### **Reception Services Officer – room 206**

- Student cards
- Changes of address

**Academic Services Officer – room 207**

- Examination selection forms
- Codes and payments for photocopying
- Course information (timetables, credits, classrooms),

**Secretary-Treasurer – room 303**

- Payment of tuition fees

**Library**

Regular hours:

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Any schedule changes will be posted at the Library entrance.



## I. COURSES OFFERED IN 2009 – 2010

### FALL TRIMESTER

PH 1011	History of Ideas I: The Rise of Ancient Civilization	3 cr.
PH 1201	Introduction to Philosophy	3 cr.
PH 2210	Ancient Greek Philosophy	6 cr.
PH 2222	Descartes	3 cr.
PH 2410	The Main Doctrinal Currents in the Middle Ages	3 cr.
PH 2420	Kant	3 cr.
PH 2850	Epistemology	3 cr.
PH 3460	Philosophy of Law	3 cr.

### WINTER TRIMESTER

PH 1012	History of Ideas II. The Middle Ages: More than Dungeons and Dragons	3 cr.
PH 2221	Empiricism in the 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> Centuries	3 cr.
PH 2421	Hegel	3 cr.
PH 2630	Analytic Philosophy	3 cr.
PH 2631	Existential Philosophy	3 cr.
PH 2840	Metaphysics	3 cr.
PH 2422	Readings in Modern Philosophy (16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> Centuries)	3 cr.
PH 3261	Philosophy of Art	3 cr.

### Evening Courses

PH 1083	Philosophical Conceptions of Leadership	3 cr.
PH 2664	Current Issues in Ethics	3 cr.
PH 3660	Introduction to Applied Ethics	3 cr.



## II. TIMETABLE

### PHILOSOPHY – UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

FOR SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2009

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 a.m.	<p><b>PH 2420</b> <b>Kant</b></p> <p><i>I. Apostolova</i> 219</p>	<p><b>PH 2850</b> <b>Epistemology</b></p> <p><i>J.-F. Méthot</i> 221</p>	<p><b>PH 1201</b> <b>Introduction to</b> <b>Philosophy</b></p> <p><i>J.-F. Méthot</i> 221</p>	<p><b>PH 2222</b> <b>Descartes</b></p> <p><i>M. Allard</i> Albert</p>	<p><b>PH 1011</b> <b>History of Ideas I</b></p> <p><i>I. Apostolova</i> Albert</p>
1:30 p.m.	<p><b>PH 3460</b> <b>Philosophy</b> <b>of Law</b></p> <p><i>J. Madore</i> 221</p>	<p><b>PH 2210</b> <b>Greek</b> <b>Philosophy</b></p> <p><i>M. Nyvlt</i> Albert</p>	<p><b>PH 2410</b> <b>Medieval</b> <b>Philosophy</b></p> <p><i>M. Nyvlt</i> Albert</p>	<p><b>PH 2210</b> <b>Greek</b> <b>Philosophy</b></p> <p><i>M. Nyvlt</i> Albert</p>	
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.					

PH 1011 History of Ideas I  
 PH 1201 Introduction to Philosophy  
 PH 2210 Greek Philosophy  
 PH 2410 Medieval Philosophy  
 PH 2222 Descartes  
 PH 2420 Kant  
 PH 2850 Epistemology  
 PH 3460 Philosophy of Law

Prof. Iva Apostolova  
 Prof. Jean-François Méthot  
 Prof. Mark Nyvlt  
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 Prof. Maxime Allard  
 Prof. Iva Apostolova  
 Prof. Jean-François Méthot  
 Prof. Joël Madore



**PHILOSOPHY – UNDERGRADUATE**

**FOR JANUARY – APRIL 2010**

	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
8:30 a.m.		<b>PH 1012</b> <b>History of Ideas II</b>		<b>PH 2631</b> <b>Existential Philosophy</b>	<b>PH 2630</b> <b>Analytical Philosophy</b>
10:00 a.m.	<b>PH 2840</b> <b>Metaphysics</b> <i>L. Dewan</i> Albert	<i>M. Nyvlt</i> 221	<b>PH 2840</b> <b>Metaphysics</b> <i>L. Dewan</i> Albert	<i>G. Csepregi</i> Albert	<i>I. Apostolova</i> 219
1:30 p.m.	<b>PH 2422</b> <b>Readings in Modern Philosophy</b> <b>[16<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> Centuries]</b> <i>J. Madore</i> Albert	<b>PH 2221</b> <b>Empiricism in the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries</b> <i>F. Peddle</i> Albert	<b>PH 3261</b> <b>Philosophy of Art</b> <i>J. Madore</i> Albert	<b>PH 2421</b> <b>Hegel</b> <i>J. Lowry</i> 221	
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	<b>PH 2664</b> <b>Current Issues in Ethics</b> <i>I. Apostolova</i> Albert	<b>PH 1083</b> <b>Philosophical Conceptions of Leadership</b> <i>G. Csepregi / J. Mitchell</i> 219	<b>PH 3660</b> <b>Applied Ethics</b> <i>D. Beauchamp</i> 219		

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Prof. Mark Nyvlt  
Prof. Francis Peddle  
Prof. James Lowry  
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Prof. Joël Madore  
Prof. Iva Apostolova  
Prof. Gabor Csepregi  
Prof. Lawrence Dewan  
Prof. Joël Madore

**Evening courses**

PH 1083  
PH 2664  
PH 3660

Philosophical Conceptions of Leadership  
Current Issues in Ethics  
Introduction to Applied Ethics

Prof. Gabor Csepregi / Prof. Jim Mitchell  
Prof. Iva Apostolova  
Prof. Denis Beauchamp



### III. COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

#### INTRODUCTORY COURSES

**PH 1011      History of Ideas I: The Rise of Ancient Civilisation** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

From Prehistory to History. Ancient Egypt: monarchy and social structures. The immortality of the soul. The kingdoms of Mesopotamia: Sumerians and Amorites. The Epic of Gilgamesh and the Code of Hammurabi. The universal empire of Persia. The Zoroastrianism. Ancient Greece: the political structures of the Mycenaean Society. The *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*. The notion of *Polis*. Athens: democracy and social knowledge. The Sophists. Politics in Socrates, Plato and Aristotle. The educative ideas of Isocrates. Rome: the idea of a universal empire. Rome and the laws. The philosophical ideas of Cicero and Seneca.

**PH 1012      History of Ideas II. The Middle Ages:  
More than Dungeons and Dragons** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

The notion of Middle Ages. The decadence of Rome and the Christianization of social and political order. A theological-metaphysical perspective. The Augustinian vision of the world. Political and ecclesiastical power. Social and educational ideas in the Carolingian Empire. The schools. The religious Orders. The polemic about investitures and the conflicts between temporal and spiritual powers. Knowledge and science: the creation of the university. Thomas Aquinas and his theory about social order. Towards a modern state: William of Ockham and Marsiglio of Padua. Individualism and laicization.

**PH 1201      Introduction to Philosophy** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

This course will provide an introduction to the universe of philosophers and Philosophy through the study of fundamental texts of the Western philosophical traditions. The emphasis will be on the study of the nature, scope, and necessity of philosophical inquiry as an intellectual endeavour, distinct from other disciplines, namely Theology and Science. We will also discuss some philosophical problems, such as human knowledge and freedom.

**PH 3660      Introduction to Applied Ethics** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

This course will look at the fundamental approaches and methods in applied ethics. It will introduce students to the case study method and emphasize decision-making and decision theory in ethics. The course will also look at effective ethics programmes for organizations, ethics codes, professional ethics and other measures and activities in the organizational world.

## **HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY**

**PH 2210      Ancient Greek Philosophy** 6 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

This course is divided into four parts. (1) The Pre-Socratics: a discussion beginning with the Ionians, moving to Parmenides and Heraclitus, and touching upon the Atomists, Empedocles, Anaxagoras, the Pythagoreans, and the Sophists. (2) Socrates and Plato. (3) Aristotle (and touching upon the Stoics, Cynics, Epicureans). (4) Neo-Platonism. Most attention is paid to Plato and Aristotle.

**PH 2221      Empiricism in the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

A study of the most important ontological and epistemological doctrines of empiricism, as developed within the English-language tradition, mainly through the study of John Locke, George Berkeley and David Hume.

**PH 2222      Descartes** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

After a presentation of relevant elements from the historical, scientific, philosophical and theological contexts, the course offers an analysis and an interpretation of major works of Descartes: *Discourse on the Method* and *Meditations*.

**PH 2410      The Main Doctrinal Currents in the Middle Ages** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

This course will study: the transformations of the ancient heritage (Saint Augustine, the pseudo-Dionysius, Boethius); the leading thinkers and schools of the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> centuries; the translations of Aristotelian, Arab and Jewish works; the high points of Scholasticism in the 13<sup>th</sup> century (Thomas Aquinas, Duns Scotus); and Ockham's nominalism, in the 14<sup>th</sup> century.

**PH 2420      Kant** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

Kant's intention was to limit the claims of metaphysics in order to make room for faith. He saw his philosophical efforts as a revolution akin to that of Copernicus. The course will consider Kant's claim that his critique was a "call to reason to undertake anew the most difficult of all its tasks, namely, that of self-knowledge." A close reading of parts of Kant's *Critique of Pure Reason* and of other major texts will be used as a basis for this consideration.

**PH 2421      Hegel** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

Hegel thought it possible to reassert over and against Kant and modern empiricism the primacy of pure thought. His contention depends on the proposition that the history of the world and the dialectic of conceptual thought are one and the same. The course will consider Hegel's claim to have reconciled modern subjectivity with Christianity through a careful reading of parts of the *Encyclopaedia of the Philosophical Sciences* and of other major Hegelian texts.

**PH 2631      Existential Philosophy** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

The course offers a critical study of fundamental insights of Søren Kierkegaard and Friedrich Nietzsche. The following themes are emphasized: modes of existence, truth and subjectivity, anxiety and despair, art and history, origins of morality, will to power and nihilism.

### **PHILOSOPHICAL DISCIPLINES -- THEMES AND PROBLEMS**

**PH 1083      Philosophical Conceptions of Leadership** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

Leadership is a popular topic today. Many books and articles are published on the nature, characteristics, and challenges of leadership. Most of the courses, books and articles deal with a specific sector of our social life: business or corporate sector. Yet leadership plays a pivotal role in other social spheres as well.

The publications often focus on leader's styles and abilities, and the specific relationships and fields of action that make possible the expression of these styles and abilities.

The philosophical analysis of the concept and the problems pertaining to leadership is often missing or insufficient. This course intends to propose a more thorough understanding of the phenomenon of leadership. It will also present the chief conceptions of leadership that have been advanced in the history of philosophy.

**PH 2630      Analytic Philosophy** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

This course will survey the Analytic tradition in Philosophy. From the linguistic turn of Frege, Russell, Moore and Wittgenstein, it will explore the development of this tradition, notably through logical positivism (Carnap, Ayer) and ordinary language Philosophy (Ryle, Austin). We will also consider important figures in epistemology (Quine) and ethics (Rawls).

**PH 2664      Current Issues in Ethics** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

This course serves as a general introduction to the problems of applied ethics. It will propose readings addressing a variety of ethical issues, in society at large, as well as in specialized sectors. Students will survey various issues in ethics, which will enrich their research and understanding in applied ethics.

**PH 2840      Metaphysics** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

Metaphysics starts from the consideration of the being which is found in sensibly evident things and ends with the consideration of God as creator. In this course a brief survey of the history of metaphysics is given, together with discussions of being as divided by categories, being as divided by actuality and potentiality, and being as characterized by truth and goodness.

**PH 2850      Epistemology** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

Knowledge —its nature, status, conditions and limits— has always been a fundamental issue in Philosophy. Considering the problem as stated in ancient Philosophy, this course explores some of the main views of knowledge in modern and contemporary traditions. Special attention will be paid to Hume’s sceptical position and to the ensuing responses, notably in Kant and in analytical Philosophy.

**PH 3460      Philosophy of Law** 3 cr.  
*1<sup>st</sup> trimester*

This course offers a critical examination of competing theories of law, such as positive, natural and divine law. The goal of the course is to provide a philosophical framework for an understanding of the nature of law and its relation to morality and the organization of civil society.

### **READING COURSES**

**PH 2422      Readings in Modern Philosophy (16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Centuries)** 3 cr.  
*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

The objective of this course is to encourage students to learn to read Modern philosophical texts in a systematic way. Such a process is painstaking at first, but it has many advantages. A student who learns to follow closely the thoughts of a great thinker will be less dependent on secondary sources of opinion. Developing the skill of historical exegesis is also necessary for anyone who wishes to enhance his own ability to think clearly and independently.

**PH 3261      Philosophy of Art**

3 cr.

*2<sup>nd</sup> trimester*

What is the nature of art? Does art tell us something about the world? Which faculties or powers come into play when artists produce art works? Is art necessarily related to beauty or truth? What kind of validity can aesthetic judgments claim? Such questions are complex enough. Some of them go back to Plato and Aristotle. But they still are hotly discussed in contemporary Philosophy.



## **IV. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS**

### **1. DEGREE PROGRAMMES**

Admission to all degree programmes requires one year of university studies in a Faculty of Arts, a college diploma or the equivalent.

#### **Certificate in Philosophy – C.E.P.**

– Requirements: 30 credits in Philosophy.

#### **Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Philosophy – B.A. (Ph.)**

– Requirements: 60 credits, with a minimum of 48 credits in Philosophy.

#### **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy – B.Ph.**

– Requirements: 90 credits, with a minimum of 72 credits in Philosophy.

For students coming from a Québec cégep:

- Students who have completed their college studies and received their diploma must satisfy the above-mentioned requirements.
- Students who have only one year of cégep or hold an Ontario Secondary School Diploma are subject to the following conditions.

#### **Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Philosophy – B.A. (Ph.)**

– Requirements: 90 credits with a minimum of 72 credits in Philosophy.

#### **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy – B.Ph.**

– Requirements: 120 credits with a minimum of 90 credits in Philosophy.

During their first term at the College, students are encouraged to limit their Philosophy courses to 9 credits. After an initial meeting with the Dean at the time of registration, the student's programme requirements and profile may be modified according to the level of preparation for university studies. The Faculty of Philosophy may assign a graduate student as a tutor or mentor to assist 1<sup>st</sup> year students.

#### **Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Philosophy and a Minor in Theology – B.A.Sp.Ph.**

– Requirements: 60 credits in Philosophy and 30 credits in Theology

## 2. COURSE SELECTION

The Dean of the Faculty is responsible for approving individual course selections made by students with a view to earning a specific university degree. PH 1201 – *Introduction to Philosophy* and PH 1202 – *Critical Reasoning* are compulsory courses.

A table outlining each programme can be found on pages 15-19. Please refer to it when selecting your courses and planning your programme of studies.

Students must select their courses no later than September 8 for the Fall trimester and December 4 for the Winter trimester. The appropriate form must be filled out and submitted for the Dean's approval.

Changes to course selections are allowed until September 25 for the Fall trimester and until January 22 for the Winter trimester. **No changes will be accepted after these deadlines.**

### LATE REGISTRATIONS: WARNING

Please present your completed and signed registration form by the dates indicated in the calendar. Late registrations will not be tolerated. **A fine of \$5 per working day will be charged until receipt of the registration form and tuition fees.**

## 3. CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

A full-time student must earn a minimum of 9 credits per term. However, according to current university standards, a full-time student can earn a maximum of 30 credits during any regular academic year. One credit normally involves 15 hours of courses and at least 30 hours of reading and assignments. As a guideline, students should allow two hours of work for every hour spent in class.

## 4. PROGRAMME OF STUDIES

- The Faculty's programme follows a two-year cycle, i.e. Course Module A and Course Module B, comprising the basic cycle.
- Following the basic cycle, a "finishing" year is offered to those planning to register in the Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy (B.Ph.) programme.
- Students are advised to choose courses according to their culture, interests and academic orientation. In this regard, please note the following :

- a) Any student aiming for a graduate degree in Philosophy would be well advised to take some fundamental subjects, including courses which constitute the compulsory basics in university programmes and therefore are necessary for admission to a Master's or Doctorate programme.
- b) A balance should be sought between courses involving the study of writings and those applying participative methods. Please refer to pages 15-19 in order to choose your courses in keeping with your programme of studies.
- c) The Faculty reserves the right to cancel courses if an insufficient number of students have registered. The minimum has been tentatively set at four registrations.

## **5. THEOLOGY COURSES**

A student registered in the Philosophy programme can take a limited number of Theology courses.

- a) The B.A. programme with a Major in Philosophy is comprised of 60 credits, of which 48 must be earned in Philosophy; leaving room for 12 credits in Theology, at the rate of 6 per year.
- b) The three-year B.A. programme with a major and a minor requires 60 credits in Philosophy (major) and 30 in Theology (minor).
- c) The three-year B.A. programme with Honours in Philosophy requires 90 credits, of which 72 must be earned in Philosophy, leaving room for 18 credits in Theology (or other subjects).

NOTE: It is possible to register for a Theology course (among evening or Saturday courses in particular) as auditor. When filling out your form, be sure to specify whether you wish to audit the course or earn university credits by taking the exam.

## **6. COURSES AT OTHER UNIVERSITIES**

In order to complete their programme of studies, students registered at the Dominican University College's Faculty of Philosophy may also take courses at other universities provided the following conditions are met:

- a) Request a letter of permission from the Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy.
- b) Ensure that timetables do not conflict. If courses are taken at a faculty other than the Faculty of Arts of the University of Ottawa, the College will reimburse the equivalent fees for 1, 3 or 6 credits as per its tuition fee scale.
- c) In the case of a course load more or less equivalent to that of a regular trimester, regular registration fees will be payable to the Dominican University College. In addition, students must assume full responsibility for the payment of registration and tuition fees charged by the university where those courses will be taken.
- d) Follow registration procedures of the other institution.
- e) Provide an official transcript to the Office of the Dominican University College Registrar after completion of the course to have credits recognized.
- f) Ensure that at least two thirds of the credits are earned at the Dominican University College's Faculty of Philosophy. The Faculty reserves the right to demand more than this minimum requirement.

**7. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA REGARDING THE PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME**

Dominican University College students may take courses at the Faculty of Arts of the University of Ottawa without paying additional tuition fees provided the following conditions are met:

- a) Admission to a programme of studies at the Dominican University College and satisfactory academic standing;
- b) Compliance with regulation 6f) above;
- c) Approval of course selection by both institutions (using the special registration form available in room 209)

Only those courses which are part of an approved programme of studies will be accepted within the terms of the agreement.

Students must follow the calendars of both universities.

## 8. DIRECTED READING

Third-year students may complete a substantial programme of studies with directed reading for which credits can be earned. Directed reading can serve to complement a given course by further exploration of the subject matter or, in exceptional cases, to address a topic not covered in the Faculty's current programme.

Standards related to directed reading are as follows:

- a) Directed reading cannot replace a course offered by the Faculty of Philosophy on the topic of interest.
- b) The student must find a professor willing to direct reading on the chosen topic.
- c) Directed reading programs normally require a short term paper.

## 9. ATTENDANCE

Students must attend all courses in which they are registered. Absences must be justified to the professor. **A student who fails to attend more than 25% of classes in a given course will not be permitted to write the exam.**

## 10. WITHDRAWAL FROM A COURSE

Dropping a course without the Dean's official authorization is recorded as a "failure – dropped course" on the student's record.

Students may abandon a course up to **October 9** in the Fall trimester and up to **February 5** in the Winter trimester. They must fill out the course withdrawal form provided by the Registrar's Office. Once signed by the Dean, the form must be delivered to room 209. **No course withdrawals will be allowed after these dates.**

## 11. ESSAYS, EXAMINATIONS AND ACADEMIC STANDING

At the beginning of each course, professors will provide a course description and outline their respective evaluation methods (assignments and examinations).

The main standards regarding essays and examinations are as follows:

- a) Essays must be submitted within the deadline specified by the professor. Otherwise, assignments may be refused or marks subtracted. In some exceptional cases, the Faculty may grant an extension for an assignment. The student must first obtain the professor's permission and submit a letter to the Faculty stating the reasons. A deferred paper must be submitted during the term following the extension. Otherwise, once the extension deadline has passed, the grade given will be "E".
- b) Students who miss an examination will have a "failure – course dropped" entry in their record, other than in exceptional circumstances such as illness. No supplemental examination is allowed in such cases.
- c) Only one supplemental examination is allowed following a failed exam.
- d) Failing three courses (9 credits), including failures for dropped courses, will result in the student's automatic withdrawal from the programme.
- e) Plagiarism is a serious academic offence that can lead to sanctions including expulsion from the programme.
- f) Students working towards a Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Philosophy – B.A.(Ph.) must maintain an overall minimum average of 60% for each year, without a mark below 50% in any course. Candidates for a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy – B.Ph. must maintain an overall minimum average of 65% for each year, without a mark below 60% in any course.
- g) In order to earn a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy – B.Ph., a student must pass a final comprehensive examination on topics determined by the Faculty. Three credits are earned upon successful completion of this requirement.

## **12. B.PH. ORAL EXAMINATION (3 CREDITS)**

The B.Ph. oral examination provides an opportunity for students to review knowledge acquired during their programme of studies and to further explore authors or subjects they have studied. The examination also aims to evaluate the student's general knowledge in Philosophy.

### **A) Content**

The examination is made up of thematic questions related to the five sectors of the Faculty's programme: Ancient and Medieval Philosophy, Modern and Contemporary Philosophy, Human Knowledge, Human Being and Ultimate Questions.

## B) Procedure

Each year, the Faculty identifies ten examination questions. Candidates must prepare to answer all ten. They may reformulate questions with the Dean's approval. The questions are made available to students at the College's Secretariat (Room 207) at the beginning of the academic year.

Candidates may consult one or more professors to help them prepare for the examination.

Examinations will be held during the examination session of candidates' last study term. Candidates must meet with the Faculty Dean at least **one month** before the end of their last term to have their questions approved and the date set for the examination.

## C) Conduct of examination

- The examination lasts approximately one hour.
- Two professors of the Faculty conduct the examination.
- The examination is marked on a scale of 10. The grade is the average of the marks given by the examiners.

## 13. SCHEDULE OF GRADES

Definition	Letter Grade	Point Value
Excellent	A+	9.0 – 10
Very Good	A	8.5 – 8.9
Very Good	A-	8.0 – 8.4
Good	B+	7.5 – 7.9
Good	B	7.0 – 7.4
Satisfactory	C+	6.5 – 6.9
Satisfactory	C	6.0 – 6.4
Pass	D+	5.5 – 5.9
Pass	D	5.0 – 5.4
Failure	E	less than 5

#### **14. STUDENT RECORDS**

Students are responsible for maintaining their academic and financial records in order. They must follow the procedures (forms, requests, etc.) and respect deadlines set by the Faculty of Philosophy. All requests for changes to student records are processed by the University Academic Affairs Officer (room 209). Please note that all changes require the Dean's approval.

Students whose financial record is not in order may be denied access to courses and examinations.

<b>Certificate in Philosophy – C.E.P.</b>	<b>30 credits</b>
<i>COMPULSORY COURSES</i>	<b>6 credits</b>
PH 1201: Introduction to Philosophy	
<b>and one of:</b>	
PH 1202: Critical reasoning	
PH 1203: Logic I	
<i>COURSES IN THE FACULTY’S SECTORS</i>	
<b>1) HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY</b>	
<b>6 credits among:</b>	<b>6 credits</b>
PH 2210-2412 and PH 2222-2635	
<b>2) PHILOSOPHICAL DISCIPLINES</b>	
<b>3 credits among:</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
PH 2660: Ethics	
PH 2680: Philosophical Anthropology	
PH 2850: Epistemology	
PH 2840: Metaphysics	
<b>3 credits among:</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
PH 3460: Philosophy of Law	
PH 2661: Political Philosophy	
PH 2662: Philosophy of Religion	
PH 2663: Philosophy of Education	
PH 3261: Philosophy of Art	
PH 3263: Philosophy of Culture	
PH 2841: Philosophy of God	
PH 2861: Philosophy of History	
PH 3211: Ancient and Modern Dialectic	
PH 3470: Literature and Philosophy	
<b>3 credits among:</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
PH 2854: Philosophy of Language	
PH 2650: Philosophy of Mind	
PH 3262: Philosophy of Action	
PH 2851: Philosophy of Science	
	<b>+ 9 elective credits in Philosophy</b>

**Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Philosophy – B.A.(Ph.) 60 credits**

***COMPULSORY COURSES***

**6 credits among: 6 credits**

PH 1201: Introduction to Philosophy

PH 1202: Critical reasoning or

PH 1203: Logic I

***COURSES IN THE FACULTY'S BRANCHES***

**1) HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY**

**24 credits among: (2 courses per term) 24 credits**

PH 2210-2412 and PH 2222-2633

**2) PHILOSOPHICAL DISCIPLINES**

**12 compulsory credits: 12 credits**

PH 2660: Ethics

PH 2680: Philosophical Anthropology

PH 2850: Epistemology

PH 2840: Metaphysics

**3 credits among: 3 credits**

PH 3640: Philosophy of Law

PH 2661: Political Philosophy

PH 2662: Philosophy of Religion

PH 2663: Philosophy of Education

PH 3261: Philosophy of Art

PH 3263: Philosophy of Culture

PH 2841: Philosophy of God

PH 2861: Philosophy of History

PH 3211: Ancient and Modern Dialectic

PH 3470: Literature and Philosophy

**3 credits among: 3 credits**

PH 2204: Logic II

PH 2854: Philosophy of Language

PH 2650: Philosophy of Mind

PH 3262: Philosophy of Action

PH 2851: Philosophy of Science

**+ 12 elective  
credits**

**Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Philosophy – B.Ph. 90 credit**

***COMPULSORY COURSES* 9 credits**

PH 1201: Introduction to Philosophy  
PH 1202: Critical reasoning or  
PH 1203: Logic I

***COURSES IN THE FACULTY'S SECTORS***

**1) HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY**

**36 credits among: (2 courses per term) 36 credits**

PH 2210-2412 and PH 2222-2633

**2) PHILOSOPHICAL DISCIPLINES**

**12 compulsory credits 12 credits**

PH 2660: Ethics  
PH 2680: Philosophical Anthropology  
PH 2850: Epistemology  
PH 2840: Metaphysics

**3 credits among: 3 credits**

PH 3640: Philosophy of Law  
PH 2661: Political Philosophy  
PH 2662: Philosophy of Religion  
PH 2663: Philosophy of Education  
PH 3261: Philosophy of Art  
PH 3263: Philosophy of Culture  
PH 2841: Philosophy of God  
PH 2861: Philosophy of History  
PH 3211: Ancient and Modern Dialectic  
PH 3470: Literature and Philosophy

**3 credits among: 3 credits**

PH 2204: Logic II  
PH 2854: Philosophy of Language  
PH 2650: Philosophy of Mind  
PH 3262: Philosophy of Action  
PH 2851: Philosophy of Science

**+ 27 credits, i.e.  
6 in Philosophy and  
18 elective credits**



## V. FACULTY MEMBERS

### PROFESSORS

ALLARD Maxime, O.P., M.A. (Th.), M.A. (Ph.), Ph.D. (Th.) (Laval)  
Modern Philosophy and Hermeneutics

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Medieval Philosophy and Metaphysics

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Philosophical Anthropology and Phenomenology

DEWAN, Lawrence, O.P., M.A. (Th.), Ph.D. (Toronto), Master in Sacred Theology  
Medieval Philosophy and Metaphysics

MÉTHOT, Jean-François, M.A (Ph.), Ph.D. (Ottawa)  
Contemporary Continental Philosophy and Philosophy of Language, and Applied Ethics

MÉTIVIER, Pierre, O.P., Lect. Th., Ph. D. (Louvain)  
Greek Philosophy, Philosophy of Morals and Values

NYVLT, Mark, Ph.D. (Boston University)  
Ancient Philosophy, German Philosophy, Human Rights

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Modern Philosophy and Aesthetics, Philosophy of Law

### EMERITUS PROFESSORS

LAVOIE, Jourdain, o.p., Lic. Ph. (Rome), Lect. Ph.  
Modern Philosophy, Psychology.

### VISITING PROFESSORS, ASSISTANTS, LECTURERS

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KINSELLA, Noël A., L.Ph, Ph.D., S.T.L., S.T.D. (*Université pontificale du Latran*)  
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Contemporary Continental Philosophy

MCNAUGHT, Christopher, LL.B. (Toronto University)  
Philosophy of Law and Applied ethics

### **RESEARCH PROFESSORS**

ARMOUR, Leslie, B.A. (U.B.C.), Ph.D. (London)  
Metaphysics and Modern Philosophy

BEAUCHAMP, Denis, M.A. (Ph.), Ph.D. (Ottawa)  
Ethics

THOMAS, James, M.A. (Ph.), Ph.D. (Ottawa)  
Modern Philosophy

LOWRY, James, M.A. (Ph.), Ph.D. (Dalhousie)  
Greek and Modern German Philosophy and Metaphysics

### **AUXILIARY PROFESSORS**

BOUCHARD, Yves, M.A. (Ph.), Ph.D. (Montreal)  
Epistemology. Professor at the University of Sherbrooke

SWEET, William, Ph.D. (Ottawa), Chair, Department of Philosophy, and Director of the Centre for Philosophy, Theology and Cultural Traditions at St. Francis Xavier University

## **VI. UNIVERSITY YEAR CALENDAR**

### **FALL TRIMESTER**

- September 8 : Registration and course selection for Fall term  
September 9 : Beginning of term  
September 25 : Deadline for course changes  
October 9 : Deadline for course withdrawals  
October 12 : Thanksgiving Day (holiday)  
November 30 : Course selection for the Winter term  
December 11 : End of term  
December 14-18 : Examinations

### **FALL TRIMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

PH 1011 History of Ideas I: The Rise of Ancient Civilization	Dec. 18, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 1201 Introduction to Philosophy	Dec. 16, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2210 Ancient Greek Philosophy	Dec. 17, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PH 2222 Descartes	Dec. 17, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2410 The Main Doctrinal Currents in the Middle Ages	Dec. 16, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PH 2420 Kant	Dec. 14, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2850 Epistemology	Dec. 15, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 3460 Philosophy of Law	Dec. 14, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

### **NOTE:**

Examinations will take place on the day and time indicated above.  
Place: room assigned to the course

## **WINTER TRIMESTER**

January 4	:	Beginning of term
January 22	:	Deadline for course changes
January 23	:	Saint Thomas Aquinas Day
February 5	:	Deadline for course withdrawals
February 15-19	:	Reading week
April 1-5	:	Easter holiday
April 16	:	End of term
April 19-23	:	Examinations

## **WINTER TRIMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

PH 1012 History of Ideas II. The Middle Ages: More than Dungeons and Dragons	Apr. 20, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2221 Empiricism in the 17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> Centuries	Apr. 20, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PH 2421 Hegel	Apr. 23, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2630 Analytical Philosophy	Apr. 22, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PH 2631 Existential Philosophy	Apr. 22, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2840 Metaphysics	Apr. 21, 2009 at 8:30 a.m.
PH 2422 Readings in Modern Philosophy (16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> Centuries)	Apr. 19, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.
PH 3261 Philosophy of Art	Apr. 21, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

## **Evening Courses**

PH 1083 Philosophical Conceptions of Leadership	Apr. 20, 2009 at 5 p.m.
PH 2664 Current Issues in Ethics	Apr. 19, 2009 at 5 p.m.
PH 3660 Introduction to Applied Ethics	Apr. 21, 2009 at 5 p.m.

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