



PHILOSOPHY

Recommended three-year degree path

Courses	Credit Hours	Total Credit Hours
Fall One		
TI243-PL, Texts and Ideas - Knowledge and Reality	3	
TI244-PL, Texts and Ideas - Ethics, the Good Life, and Society	3	
FYS101, First Year Seminar	3	
Foreign Language 203	3	
AR, Analytical Reasoning	3	
PCA, Perspectives in the Creative Arts	3	
Total	18	18
Spring One		
PL311, History of Ancient Philosophy	3	
PL364, Ethics and International Relations	3	
FYS102, First Year Seminar	3	
Foreign Language 204	3	
NW, Natural World	5	
PWB, Physical Well-Being	1	
Total	18	36
Summer One		
GHS (1), Global & Historical Studies	3	
SW, Social World	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	9	45
Fall Two		
PL313, History of Modern Philosophy	3	
PL310, Symbolic Logic	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	18	63
Spring Two		
PL410 (1), Seminar in Philosophy	3	
PL375 (1), Topics in Philosophy (e.g. Environmental Philosophy)	3	



Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Upper-level Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	18	81
Summer Two		
GHS (2): Global & Historical Studies	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	6	87
Fall Three		
PL343, Philosophy of Science	3	
PL375 (2), Topics in Philosophy (e.g. Value Theory)	3	
Upper-level Elective (any discipline)	3	
Upper-level Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	18	105
Spring Three		
PL410 (2), Seminar in Philosophy	3	
Upper-level Elective (any discipline)	3	
Upper-level Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Elective (any discipline)	3	
Total	15	120

Notes:

- Many of our PL majors joined our program in their sophomore or even junior year at Butler. Unlike some more technical majors or minors, ours does not require students to take courses spread over 4 years, and, while we prefer certain lower level courses to be taken relatively early on, and others to be taken later, there is substantial flexibility in the order in which a student could attend the courses offered by our program.
- In this example, the student would take 6 credit hours per semester in PL (with the exception of the last semester) for a total of 33 credit hours. The student could take an additional 12 credit hours every fall and spring semester (12 credits X 6 semesters = 72 cr) in order to take care of core requirements etc. plus another 15 credit hours during two or three summers, for a total of 120 hours, the minimum required for graduation at Butler.