

# PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

## PHIL C100 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to Philosophy

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

This course provides an introduction to the main ideas, methods, and problems of philosophy. The course will touch on the four main branches of philosophy: Logic, epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics. Specific topics may include such issues as the nature of philosophy and reality, questions of human nature and free will, relationship between mind and body, the question of God's existence, sources of knowledge, and personal and social ethics. There will be a focus on Western analytic philosophy, though some instructors may weave elements of Continental and Eastern philosophy into the course. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** PHIL 100.

## PHIL C102 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### History of Ancient Philosophy

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU.

This course addresses ancient philosophy, emphasizing the development of Greek philosophy from the pre-Socratics through Aristotle, and may also include Hellenistic, Roman, medieval, and non-Western thinkers. Recommended for all students interested in refining critical thinking faculties. Essential for philosophy majors. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** PHIL 130.

## PHIL C113 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Environmental Ethics: Philosophical Approaches to Sustainability

**Advisory:** Eligibility for ENGL C100.

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

A philosophical course focusing upon global environmental issues such as scarcity of resources, world hunger, animal welfare, conservation, and preservation. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.

## PHIL C115 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Logic and Critical Thinking

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

This is a logic course roughly divided between formal and informal logic. Students will become familiar with the structure of arguments. Students will learn how to translate sentences into symbolic logic, construct truth tables, and generate proofs. They will become familiar with the concepts of validity, soundness, logical entailment and other semantic concepts of formal logic. Regarding informal logic, students will learn common informal fallacies, and practice analyzing arguments for strength, cogent and uncogent reasoning. This may include analysis of media or other real-world arguments. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.

## PHIL C120 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Ethics

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

This course examines morality, values, and representative ethical theories. Moral problems may include euthanasia/assisted suicide, capital punishment, war, hunger and homelessness, global resource inequality, animal rights, the free rider problem, the environment and future generations, racial and gender injustice, sexual and reproductive autonomy, exploitation, or personal and social responsibility. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. **C-ID:** PHIL 120.

## PHIL C122 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Bioethics

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

Bioethics looks at the ethical implications of advancements in biology and medicine and at how they affect decisions on life, death, biotechnology, politics, law, and philosophy. This course is identical to BIOL C122 and fulfills the philosophy humanities requirement. Graded or Pass/No Pass option. UC Credit Limitations: credit may be granted for either BIOL C122 or PHIL C122.

## PHIL C140 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Business and Organizational Ethics

**Advisory:** Eligibility for ENGL C100.

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

The elements of moral ethical reasoning appropriate to individuals in organizations in all fields, including business, finance, law, engineering, government, media, social services, scientific research, medicine and neonatal units, and the environment. The focus is on the ethical and social responsibilities of professionals, wherever employed. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.

## PHIL C220 3 Units (54 lecture hours)

### Introduction to Symbolic Logic

**Advisory:** ENGL C100: Freshman Composition Eligibility for English 100.

**Grading Mode:** Standard Letter, Pass/No Pass

**Transfer Credit:** CSU; UC.

This course introduces the principles of valid deductive reasoning through a study of formal techniques of sentential logic and predicate logic. Students will learn how to translate arguments from a natural language (in this case English) to symbolic languages. These abstracted arguments can then be manipulated to derive other truth-preserved sentences. Students will also cover related logic and semantic concepts such as validity, soundness, and entailment. This course will involve translation of English sentences into predicate logic. A reasonably firm grasp of the source language, therefore, is necessary in order to excel. Graded or Pass/No Pass option.