



PHILOSOPHY (MA)

The philosophy graduate program is relatively small which allows for close interaction between students and faculty and among the graduate students.

Description

There are frequent colloquia featuring either distinguished visiting speakers or University of Nebraska-Lincoln faculty and graduate students. In particular, the weekly Graduate Student Colloquia provide master's and doctoral students the opportunity to present their academic research.

The department has special strengths in epistemology, metaphysics, and ethics, but students write dissertations across a wide range of fields, including philosophy of religion, history of philosophy, political philosophy, philosophy of language, and philosophy of mind.

Requirements for the Master of Arts degree include taking core courses in the main areas of philosophy (such as ethics, epistemology, metaphysics, history of philosophy, and logic) and writing research papers in the major areas of philosophy.

Specializations

- Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs

Program-Related Information

Graduate Chair

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Program Website

<https://www.unl.edu/philosophy/graduate> (<https://www.unl.edu/philosophy/graduate/>)

Applying for Admission

Standard requirements for all graduate programs

- Application for Admission with \$50 non-refundable application fee (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#appfee>).
- Transcripts (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/requirements/#transcripts>) (unofficial): Uploaded as part of application form.

If International: Uploads must include all college- or university-level transcripts or mark sheets (records of courses and marks earned), with certificates, diplomas, and degrees plus certified English translations.

After admission: Official documents are required from all students who are admitted and enroll. Photocopies of certified records are not acceptable. International students enrolled in other U.S. institutions may have certified copies of all foreign records sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies by their current school's registrar office.

- If applicant's native language is not English, verification of English proficiency (<https://graduate.unl.edu/admissions/english-proficiency/>) is required.

When sending TOEFL scores, our institution code is 6877 and a department code is not needed.

- If applicant is not a US citizen and expects an F or J visa: financial information (<https://graduate.unl.edu/prospective/international/financial/>).
- Applicants must also fulfill any additional requirements the department specifies at the time of application.

Additional requirements specific to this program

- Minimum English proficiency: Paper TOEFL (<http://www.toefl.org/>) 600, Internet TOEFL (<http://www.toefl.org/>) 100, IELTS (<https://www.ielts.org/>) 7.5.
- Personal Statement
- Writing Sample: Provide a sample of your philosophical writing.
- Coursework: Philosophy Coursework Form (https://graduate.unl.edu/sites/unl.edu/executive-vice-chancellor/graduate-studies/files/media/file/Courses_PHIL.pdf)
- Three recommendation letters

Admission Application Deadlines

For full funding consideration apply by January 15 for Fall. Otherwise apply by July 15 for Fall.

Requirements

Hours required: 30-36

Options for the Master's Degree (<https://catalog.unl.edu/graduate-professional/policies/academic-program-requirements/#masters>)