

**Graduate Requirements Checklist For Advancement to Candidacy**  
**Philosophy Ph.D.** (Updated: Nov 2022)

**I) Foundations** (all 3 courses):

- First Year Proseminar (PHIL 7096, 1 credit “add-on”)
- Formal Methods
- Philosophical Pedagogy

**II) History** (2 courses from different areas): (1) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (2) \_\_\_\_\_

- Ancient                       Medieval and Renaissance                       Modern
- 19<sup>th</sup> Century                       Pragmatism                       Early Analytic

**III) Core Problems** (2 courses from different areas): (1) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (2) \_\_\_\_\_

- Epistemology                       Metaphysics                       Mind                       Language and Logic

**IV) Value Theory** (2 courses from different areas): (1) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (2) \_\_\_\_\_

- Ethics                       Social and Political Philosophy                       Aesthetics

**V) Philosophy of Science: Traditional Track** (1 course): (1) \_\_\_\_\_

- History and Philosophy of Science                       Contemporary Philosophy of Science
- Physical Sciences                       Social Sciences
- Life Sciences                       Cognitive Sciences

**V) Philosophy of Science: Sciences Track** (4 courses): (1) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (2) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (3) \_\_\_\_\_ ; (4) \_\_\_\_\_

*At least 1 in general history or philosophy of science, and 2 in different areas*

- History and Philosophy of Science                       Contemporary Philosophy of Science
- Physical Sciences                       Social Sciences
- Life Sciences                       Cognitive Sciences

**VI) Electives: Traditional Track** (4 courses):

- \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_

**VI) Electives: Sciences Track Research Tools/Science Courses** (4 graduate courses, 1 in a formal topic):

- \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_                       \_\_\_\_\_

**VII) Additional Requirements**

- Conference Paper presented: \_\_\_\_\_ (Conference, Date)
- Cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 from all above philosophy courses: \_\_\_\_\_
- Successful Proposal Defense: \_\_\_\_\_ (Date)

## Worksheet: Suggested Framework for Visualizing Progress Through the Program

*Note: These worksheets outline a suggested sequence of courses. While it is possible to take four courses in a semester without going over credit limits, these timelines show that taking three courses per semester is sufficient for making “ideal” progress. The department especially encourages students to take no more than three courses per semester in their first year of study, while acclimating to the program. Additionally, should a graduate student desire to take a non-philosophy course (such as a science course) in their first year, it is strongly encouraged they do so only after consultation with their pre-dissertation advisor and/or DGS.*

### PhD Traditional Track:

- Assumes all philosophy courses are fulfilling their area distributions (13 courses total)

Year	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
1	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ + (1cr) PHIL 7096: Proseminar (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____	
2	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____  + Dissertation Proposal Workshop #1	Begin Preparing Dissertation Proposal
3	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____  + Dissertation Proposal Workshop #2 + Proposal Fair Presentation + Meetings with Advisor	Defend Proposal: 1 <sup>st</sup> Attempt: by Feb. 1 2 <sup>nd</sup> Attempt (if needed): by April 10  + Meetings with Advisor	
4	Dissertation	Dissertation	
5	Dissertation	Dissertation	
6	<i>Funding not assumed for students entering with US-equivalent MA</i>		

**Phil Sci Track: +1 semester shift (net +3 courses)**

- Assumes all philosophy courses are fulfilling their area distributions.
- Assumes non-philosophy/science courses are taken starting in year 2. If student would like to take a non-philosophy class in their first year they are advised to do so in consultation with their pre-dissertation advisor and/or DGS.
- Grad students should be aware not all non-philosophy grad courses are 4-credits (some are 3 credits) so to meet minimum 12 credits for full-time enrollment status additional credit(s) may be needed).

Year	Fall Semester	Spring Semester	Summer
1	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ + (1cr) PHIL 7096: Proseminar (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____	(4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____ (4cr) PHIL _____ : _____	
2	Class 1: _____ : _____ Class 2: _____ : _____ Class 3: _____ : _____	Class 1: _____ : _____ Class 2: _____ : _____ Class 3: _____ : _____  + Dissertation Proposal Workshop #1	Begin Preparing Dissertation Proposal
3	Class 1: _____ : _____ Class 2: _____ : _____ Class 3: _____ : _____  + Dissertation Proposal Workshop #2 + Proposal Fair Presentation + Meetings with Advisor	Class 1: _____ : _____  + Meetings with Advisor	Continue Preparing Dissertation Proposal
4	Defend Proposal: 1 <sup>st</sup> Attempt: by Sept 1. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Attempt (if needed): by Nov 10	Dissertation	
5	Dissertation	Dissertation	
6	<i>Funding not assumed for students entering with US-equivalent MA</i>		