

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

BAHons specialising in Philosophy (01240383)

Department Philosophy

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

NQF level 08

Admission requirements

1. Bachelor of Arts degree with specialisation in Philosophy
2. A weighted average of at least 65% in Philosophy at final-year level

Additional requirements

- Six semester modules in Philosophy, of which at least two must be at third-year level are additional entrance requirements, as well as an average of 65% for FIL 310 and FIL 320.

Other programme-specific information

One of the core modules may be replaced with (an) appropriate postgraduate module(s) (with equivalent credit value) from another subject field or discipline in consultation with the programme manager.

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

History of philosophy 710 (FIL 710)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Philosophy
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

A study of selected texts and/or themes from the history of philosophy. The content of the module may vary from year to year and will be announced at the beginning of each year. Please see the department's website for more information.

Social philosophical debates 711 (FIL 711)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Philosophy
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

The focus is on key issues or themes in moral and political philosophy, including themes in the philosophy of economics. The content of the module may vary from year to year and will be announced at the beginning of each year. Please see the department's website for more information.

Contemporary philosophy 712 (FIL 712)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 discussion class per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

Critical investigation of the work of key authors or themes in recent philosophy, with some likely emphasis on metaphysics, epistemology, the philosophy of science or a related field. The contents of the module may vary from year to year and will be announced at the beginning of each year. Please see the department's website for more information.

Current theme/debate 713 (FIL 713)

Module credits	20.00
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NQF Level	08
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Contact time	1 discussion class per week
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Period of presentation	Semester 2
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Module content

Critical investigation of current debates in philosophy. The content of the module may vary from year to year and will be announced at the beginning of each year. Please see the department's website for more information.

Research report: Philosophy 770 (FIL 770)

Module credits	40.00
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NQF Level	08
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Period of presentation	Year
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Module content

Research essay on an appropriate topic in Philosophy as approved by the head of department.

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The [General Academic Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) and [General Student Rules](#) apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and

may be amended after the publication of this information.

Regulations, degree requirements and information

The faculty regulations, information on and requirements for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.