

# PHILOSOPHY BACHELOR OF ARTS

UNIVERSITY OF  
**ILLINOIS**  
SPRINGFIELD

## ONLINE

The Philosophy Program at UIS focuses in the areas of core analytic philosophy (philosophy of mind, philosophy of science, and related areas) and values (ethics, aesthetics, and political philosophy) while providing a sound background in the history of philosophy. The study of philosophy increases an awareness of personal values and the major value conflicts in contemporary society, helps develop an understanding of the nature and limits of various forms of knowledge, and offers experience in critical reflections on major problems of knowledge or value. An undergraduate student may complete a major or minor in philosophy to acquire training in critical thinking and skill in analyzing values; both the major and minor concentration are offered on the UIS campus and online.

### TARGET AUDIENCE:

Students who seek to participate actively in dynamic, diverse, and interactive online learning communities, and complete their degrees in their own time and at their own pace via the Internet.

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

No additional admission requirements beyond the general UIS criteria. Interested students should contact [phi@uis.edu](mailto:phi@uis.edu) for support through the admission and registration process. Students transferring from an Illinois community college are guaranteed admission into the University of Illinois Springfield through The U of I Transfer Guarantee if they meet requirements [https://www.uaps.uillinois.edu/transfer\\_guarantee](https://www.uaps.uillinois.edu/transfer_guarantee)

### COST:

For the most up-to-date information about the UIS e-tuition rate and fees, visit the website: [www.uis.edu/registrar/tuition-fees](http://www.uis.edu/registrar/tuition-fees). AIM HIGH Merit Scholarships for Transfer Students: [www.uis.edu/financial-aid/types-aid/scholarships/transfer-student-merit-scholarships](http://www.uis.edu/financial-aid/types-aid/scholarships/transfer-student-merit-scholarships).

### REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Once admitted, students can register at [www.uis.edu/registrar/registration](http://www.uis.edu/registrar/registration)

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Fall, spring and summer semesters in addition to accelerated courses termed First Half, Last (Second) Half, or Intercession that are offered during a portion of the semester.

### DELIVERY MODE:

Fully online.

### TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

The UIS Follett's Bookstore can be accessed at [www.bkstr.com/illinoispringfieldstore/home](http://www.bkstr.com/illinoispringfieldstore/home).

### TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Contact the Online Program Coordinator for specifics and see general information about the UIS transfer process at <https://www.uis.edu/transfer/transfer-information-and-requirements-for-general-transfer-information>

### TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

Minimum of 120 hours required with at least 48 hours of upper-division credit. At least 30 of these hours must be taken at UIS to receive a degree from UIS.

### FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Call (217) 206-6724 or visit the website at: [www.uis.edu/financialaid](http://www.uis.edu/financialaid).

### MINOR INFORMATION

The UIS Philosophy program also offers an online Philosophy minor to complement the University's online majors. It requires students to take 16 hours, of which eight hours must be upper division courses taken at UIS; three courses must be from specific areas of philosophy.

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[www.uis.edu/philosophy](http://www.uis.edu/philosophy)

### REQUIRED COURSES:

Matriculation Module ( 0 hours)  
PHI 301: Critical Thinking or  
PHI 401: Logic (4 hours)  
Core Analytical Courses (8 hours)  
History of Philosophy Courses (8 hours)  
Values Courses (8 hours)  
Philosophy elective (4 hours)  
Advanced Class in Specialization (4 hours)  
All majors must take  
PHI 242 or PHI 341 or PHI 447 or an  
equivalent approved by the department  
PHI 495 Senior Seminar in Philosophy (4 hours)  
UIS ECCE Requirement - Engaged  
Citizenship Common Experience (10 hrs)