

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
CHECKLIST OF SIGNIFICANT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE Ph.D. IN PHILOSOPHY

STUDENTS ENTERING WITH A ONE-YEAR M.A. IN PHILOSOPHY

N.B.: The official University of Kentucky Graduate Studies in Philosophy Regulations are controlling; any conflict between this sheet and the regulations will be adjudicated in light of the regulations.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PhD

General Course Work Credits (II.C)*:

- Completion with a passing grade of PHI 740: Proseminar in Teaching Methods†;
- Completion of at least two semesters of PHI 767: Dissertation Residency (2 credits per semester), at least once in the Fall or Spring; and
- 27 credit hours of regularly scheduled graduate courses, of which
 - at least 15 credit hours must be in regularly scheduled Department of Philosophy graduate courses (excluding independent studies).
 - at least 12 credit hours must be in regularly scheduled Department of Philosophy graduate seminars.
- 12 additional credit hours of regularly scheduled graduate courses (excluding ind. studies), of which
 - at least 9 credit hours must be in regularly scheduled Department of Philosophy graduate seminars.

Contemporary Course Distribution (II.F; III.E):

- 9 credit hours of courses that satisfy the Contemporary Course Requirement, of which
 - 3 credit hours must be in contemporary Metaphysics and Epistemology;
 - 3 credit hours must be in contemporary Value Theory.

Logic Requirement (II.E; III.D):

- Completion of the Logic Requirement in one of three ways:
 - i. completion of PHI 520 with a grade of "C" or better;
 - ii. passing, with a grade of "C" or better, the departmental examination in logic; or
 - iii. providing evidence of completion of a course in logic comparable to PHI 520 at another institution.

Language Requirement (II.D; III.C):

- Completion of the Language Requirement in one of five ways:
 - i. completing one of the accelerated graduate level language courses with a grade of "B" or better;
 - ii. completing the Educational Testing Service examination with a minimum score of 450;
 - iii. completing four semesters (or equivalent) of the language with a GPA of 3.0 or better as an undergraduate;
 - iv. completing Special Examinations given for graduate reading courses with a grade of B or better; or
 - v. transferring a language taken to satisfy the requirements for a M.A. degree at another university.

Grade Point Average (I.C; II.G):

- A grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale for all graduate coursework. A grade point average of 3.4 or higher on a 4.0 scale for all Philosophy graduate coursework.

* Relevant sections of the Graduate Studies in Philosophy Regulations indicated in parentheses throughout checklist.

† Students are **strongly encouraged** to take PHI 740 in their first year.

Comprehensive Exams (I.C; I.G; II.C):

A passing grade on both Comprehensive Exams. ‡

Area Proposal: §

Written version submitted;

Orally defended.

Qualifying Exam (II.H):

Written version submitted;

Orally defended.

Dissertation Proposal (II.I):

Written version submitted;

Orally defended.

Dissertation (II.J; II.K;)

Written version submitted;

Orally defended;

Required revisions, if any, submitted and accepted by Committee.

‡ Satisfaction of this requirement renders student eligible to undertake preparation for Qualifying Exam.

§ ***This is not a requirement*** as outlined in the Graduate Studies in Philosophy Regulations but it is normally a requirement set out by the student's Area Committee. The student submits an area proposal after post-M.A. credits requirement is satisfied but prior to sitting for the Qualifying Exam.