

## Philosophy PhD Credit Requirements

- To get the MA, you need 30 credits (i.e., by the end of your second year). Students typically take 36 credits prior to submitting the MA exam (i.e., end of second year, when you submit the MA exam).
- To become ABD, you need 54 credits (i.e., by the end of your third year, when you submit the general exam).
- To finish the PhD, you need an additional 15 credits from GRAD 6950. Students should enroll for at least 6 credits of GRAD 6950 each semester<sup>i</sup>.
- Note that you can take non-philosophy graduate seminars, but they must be approved by the DGS.

Year	Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits
1	Grad Seminar: PHIL 5301 Grad Seminar: PHIL 5307 Grad Seminar: PHIL _____	9	Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____	9
2	Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____	9	Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____	9 MA Exam
Total Credits: 36				
Submit the Report on the Masters Exam				
3	Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____	9	Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Grad Seminar: PHIL _____ Prospectus Course: PHIL 5300	9 General Exam
Total Credits: 54				
Submit the Report on the General Exam				
4	GRAD 6950	6	GRAD 6950	6
5	GRAD 6950	6	GRAD 6950	6
Total Credits: 84				
Apply for Graduation				

<sup>i</sup> Work on dissertation (enroll in at least 6 units of GRAD 6950 each semester; 15 total units of 6950 required, in addition to at least 24 units of graduate course work past the Masters): the 24 “past” the MA are credits one earns in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year. I.e., 30 for the MA (though students typically take 36 prior to submitting for the MA exam) and a further 24 post-MA (Students usually take a further 18 in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year (including the prospectus credits)). **Revised January 16, 2020.**