

PHILOSOPHY AND LAW MINOR

The Minor in Philosophy and Law provides students with an exploration of the philosophical foundations of legal systems, ethical dilemmas in law, and the complex relationship between law and society. This interdisciplinary program encourages students to critically engage with key questions about justice, rights, legal reasoning, and the role of law in addressing moral and social issues. Through a combination of focused philosophical inquiry and legal analysis, students develop the skills necessary to navigate the intersections of legal theory, ethical and social theory, and real-world legal practice. Students will be prepared to approach legal challenges with a deeper understanding of the philosophical concepts that shape laws and legal institutions, making them well-suited for careers in law, policy, and advocacy.

Course Requirements for the Minor

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this minor.

Course	Title	Units
LEGL/MCGS 451B	Constitutional Law: Civil Rights and Civil Liberties	3
PHIL 340W	Social and Political Philosophy (W)	3
PHIL 360	Theory of Knowledge (Epistemology)	3
PHIL/POLS 438	Jurisprudence: Philosophy of Law	3
Select one of the following:		3
LEGL 356	Legal Analysis	
LEGL 365W	Theories, Practices, and Administration of Justice (W)	
LEGL/SWRK 481	Law and Disadvantaged Persons	
Select one of the following:		3
PHIL 320	Ethics	
PHIL 380	Intermediate Logic	
PHIL 480	Advanced Logic	
Total Units		18