



PH.D. IN PHILOSOPHY DEGREE PLAN

A. STUDENTS ENTERING WITHOUT AN M.A.:

1. Years 1&2:

a. 10 3-hr. courses, including the CTS core:

- (1) PHIL 5314 Aquinas on Human Nature
- (2) PHIL 5338 Thomistic Ethics
- (3) PHIL 5304 Thomistic Metaphysics
- (4) One course to be chosen from the following:
 - PHIL 5309 Life & Works of Thomas Aquinas
 - PHIL 5311 Selected Problems in [Thomistic] Epistemology
 - PHIL 5312 Philosophy of Natural law
 - PHIL 5317 Philosophy of Nature
 - PHIL 5335 Aquinas' Polemical Writings
 - PHIL 5337 St. Thomas on Justice (Secunda Secundae)
 - PHIL 5351 The Logical Theory of Thomas Aquinas
 - PHIL 5362 Aquinas and the Problem of Evil
 - PHIL 5363 Law and Grace in Aquinas
 - PHIL 5369 Thomistic Political Philosophy
 - PHIL 5392 Twentieth Century Thomist Revival
 - PHIL 5393 Contemporary Thomism
 - PHIL 6308 Essence and Existence in Aquinas
- (5) PHIL 5359 Introduction to Philosophical Latin (if the student does not pass the M.A. Latin Exam upon entrance [3 hrs. of credit-by-examination])
- (6) PHIL 5340 MA Comprehensive Exam Course (Students may also register for PHIL 5603 MA Comprehensive Exam Preparation Course In order to maintain full-time status.)

b. A passing grade on the M.A. Latin Exam and the MA Written & Oral Comprehensive Exams.

M.A. is awarded after completion of these requirements. Progression to Ph.D. studies is dependent upon review by the faculty.

2. Year 3: 18 hours of additional courses, including PHIL 5334 Contemporary Logic

3. Year 4: PHIL 5605-06 Doctoral Exam Preparation

Students may register for PHIL 5605 in their 4th semester of studies if they have completed 30 hrs. They should register in PHIL 5606 in all subsequent semesters until their dissertation topic has been approved.

- a. Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam
- b. Ph.D. Latin exam
- c. Additional language exam (Student must pass an exam in French or German. Another language may be substituted at the discretion of the Director of the Center if the student's dissertation work warrants it.)
- d. Ph.D. proposal oral exam

4. Years 5-9: PHIL 6100: Dissertation & PHIL 6600 Dissertation Continuation

B. Students Entering with an M.A.

1. Years 1&2:

a. 10 3-hr. courses including these elements of the CTS core:

- (1) PHIL 5314 Aquinas on Human Nature
- (2) PHIL 5338 Thomistic Ethics
- (3) PHIL 5304 Thomistic Metaphysics
- (4) One course to be chosen among the following:
 - PHIL 5309 Life & Works of Thomas Aquinas
 - PHIL 5311 Selected Problems in [Thomistic] Epistemology
 - PHIL 5312 Philosophy of Natural law
 - PHIL 5317 Philosophy of Nature
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- (6) PHIL 5334 Contemporary Logic

2. Year 3: PHIL 5605-06: Doctoral Exam Preparation

Students may register for PHIL 5605 in their 4th semester of studies if they have completed 30 hrs. They should register in PHIL 5606 in all subsequent semesters until their dissertation topic has been approved.

- a. Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam
- b. Ph.D. Latin exam
- c. Additional language exam (Student must pass an exam in French or German. Another language may be substituted at the discretion of the Director of the Center if the student's dissertation work warrants it.)
- d. Ph.D. proposal oral exam

3. Years 4- 8: PHIL 6100: Dissertation & PHIL 6600 Dissertation Continuation