

# CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

## APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Remove PHIL 5304 as M.A. Degree Requirement

College: Liberal Arts

Department: Philosophy

**DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Noell Birondo**

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I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.

**Noell Birondo** Digitally signed by Noell Birondo  
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**COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa A. Chew-Melendez**

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I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

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Signature

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Date

**COLLEGE DEAN - Anadeli Bencomo**

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I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

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Signature

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Date

## **GRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO**

**Date:** 02/13/2023

**From:** Aleksandar Pjevalica, Interim Grad Director, Department of Philosophy

**Through:** Noell Birondo, Chair, Department of Philosophy

**Through:** Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

**To:** Martine C. Ceberio, Chair, Graduate Council

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The Department of Philosophy proposes to remove PHIL 5304 Science and Ethics from the list of required courses for the M.A. in Philosophy and offer it as an elective course instead. To compensate for the removal of the 3 credit required course, the department proposes to increase the number of required elective courses from 12 to 15. The proposed change would provide students with greater flexibility at an earlier stage in their degree plan to pursue their main research interests, thereby helping to focus their thesis projects sooner and decreasing time to graduation.

Degree Plan

Required Credits: 30-36

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
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MA in Philosophy (All courses require a grade of C or better)

Required Courses:

<del>PHIL 5304</del>	<del>Science and Ethics</del>	<del>3</del>
<a href="#">PHIL 5305</a>	Philosophical Research & Writing	3
<a href="#">PHIL 5351</a>	World Historical Philosophers	3
<a href="#">PHIL 5352</a>	Basic Philosophical Issues	3

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Thesis/Project Option:

Select one sequence below: 6-12

Thesis Option:

<a href="#">PHIL 5398</a>	Thesis I
& <a href="#">PHIL 5399</a>	and Thesis II

Non-thesis Option:

Select twelve hours from the following:

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
<a href="#">PHIL 5301</a>	Philosophy of Law & Society	
<a href="#">PHIL 5303</a>	Ethics and Engineering	
<a href="#">PHIL 5353</a>	Independent Study	
<a href="#">PHIL 5354</a>	Topics in Philosophy/History	
<a href="#">PHIL 5356</a>	Topics in Philosophy of Science <del>e</del>	
<a href="#">PHIL 5398</a>	Thesis I	
<a href="#">PHIL 5399</a>	Thesis II	

Other Electives:

Select twelve hours from the following:

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<a href="#">PHIL 5301</a>	Philosophy of Law & Society
<a href="#">PHIL 5303</a>	Ethics and Engineering
<del><a href="#">PHIL 5304</a></del>	<del>Science and Ethics</del>
<a href="#">PHIL 5354</a>	Topics in Philosophy/History
<a href="#">PHIL 5356</a>	Topics in Philosophy of Science <del>e</del>

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**Course List**

Code	Title	Hours
<a href="#">PHIL 5398</a>	Thesis I	
<a href="#">PHIL 5399</a>	Thesis II	
Total Hours		30-36

