HONORS-DESIGNATED COURSES

-The courses on the list below were nominated by the faculty teaching them or by department chairs or program directors.
-They were chosen as honors-designated courses by the LAHP faculty liaison committee because they meet a minimum number of honors course criteria.
-Honors-designated courses will count for your LAHP honors minor.
-You do not need to do any extra work in these courses – you simply need to maintain a GPA sufficient to graduate with LAHP honors.
-These courses will count wherever they fit into your degree plan—in your major, minor or block electives—AND they will count toward the LAHP minor at the same time.

PHILOSOPHY

PHIL 3304: Philosophy of History  Simon 08/2012

Topics will include matters such as the debate between idealist and materialist interpretations of history, the question of historical "laws" and determinism, the debate over "progress" in history, and the relation between the social and natural sciences. Prerequisites: PHIL 1301 or PHIL 2306 or PHIL 1304 each with a grade of "C" or better or instructor approval.

PHIL 3305: Philosophy of Law  Arruda or Simon 08/2012

Analyzes legal issues, theories, and case studies within the framework of Western ethical, social, and political philosophies and the history of jurisprudence. Topics include the origins of law, the relations of law, custom, and ritual, the question of legal "rights", justice, authority and sovereignty, responsibilities and obligations, property rights and distributive justice, pacifism, and civil disobedience. Prerequisite: PHIL 1301 or PHIL 2306 or PHIL 1304 each with a grade of "C" or better or instructor approval.

PHIL 3314: Ancient Philosophy  Louden 08/2012

Our approach will emphasize placing the first Greek philosophers within the larger context of ancient Greek culture, exploring their dialogic relationship with Homer (and Hesiod), and considering the etymology or original meanings of key Greek terms. We will regularly juxtapose their values and world-view with those of contemporary American culture, particularly noting different conceptions of morality. We will also note how Christianity has possibly been influenced by some of these philosophies, especially stoicism.
PHIL 4301: Bioethics  
Garbayo or Simon  
08/2012—08/2015 (Garbayo); 08/2012- (Simon)

This course provides an interdisciplinary examination of ethical issues in the biological and health sciences, combining methodologies from both philosophy and the natural sciences. It introduces students to the practice of applying ethical reasoning to issues arising in the fields of biomedicine, biotechnology, and clinical health. Although special focus is given to interpersonal issues and to research ethics in the sciences, examinations of specific issues in various fields such as reproductive and genetic law, end of life problems, health care justice, and eugenics could also be regularly included.

PHIL 4351: Great Philosophers  
(Rotating)  
08/2012-

The life and work of one or more of the most influential thinkers in world philosophy will be the focus of this course. Such thinkers include Confucius, Plato, Aristotle, Ortega, Nietzsche, Marx, Kant, Hegel, Dewey, Singer. May be repeated when the course content varies. Prerequisite: Junior standing.

PHIL 4352: Problems in Philosophy  
(Rotating)  
08/2012-

A course with issues of current interest to contemporary philosophers. Recent topics have included postmodernism, literature and philosophy, technological society, movies and the making of the American mind, the emergence of world philosophy, and medical ethics. Prerequisite: Junior standing.