

PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION

Although USAO does not offer degree programs in philosophy or religion, it does offer enrichment courses in these areas.

COURSE LISTINGS in PHILOSOPHY and RELIGION

- 1103 LOGIC
Methods and principles used to distinguish correct from incorrect reasoning, including logical functions of language, the nature of logical argument, and methods of deduction and induction; emphasis on practical application. 3 hours.
- 1113 LOGIC
Continuation of PHIL 1103 to include symbolic logic. 3 hours.
- 1223 PHILOSOPHICAL HORIZONS
Introductory course offering broad view of role and range of philosophy in varying approaches to perennial human problems, an awareness of philosophy as existential passion and activity, and introduction to the art of philosophizing. 3 hours.
- 1233 SIGN, SYMBOL, AND MYTH
Functions of sign, symbol, and myth in the life of humans as each may be observed to order and to organize human existence both individually and corporately. The course does not deal with specific mythologies except as such may serve to exemplify. 3 hours.
- 2103 COMPARATIVE RELIGION
Survey of major religions of world civilizations, as well as ideologies which compete for human religious commitment; includes Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and others. 3 hours.
- 2123 SURVEY OF OLD TESTAMENT LITERATURE
Individuals, history, sociology, and literary styles of Old Testament writings. 3 hours.
- 2133 SURVEY OF NEW TESTAMENT LITERATURE
Individuals, history, sociology, and literary styles of New Testament writings. 3 hours.
- 2273 ETHICS
Major positions in Western and Eastern ethical thought from Homer to the present in attempt to discover the basic principles of moral decisions. 3 hours.
- 2383 AESTHETICS
Systematic inquiry into major philosophical problems involving definition and meaning of art, aesthetic value, aesthetic judgment, and creative process. 3 hours.
- 3103 PHILOSOPHY OF KNOWLEDGE
Differing conceptions of sources, nature, validity, and significance of human knowledge throughout history of Eastern and Western philosophy. 3 hours. Prerequisite: 9 hours of philosophy/religion courses *or* permission of instructor.
- 3113 PHILOSOPHY OF BEING
Major approaches in Western and Eastern philosophy to questions of the nature of ultimate reality; concerns perennial human quest for understanding of the origin, structure, and meaning of humans and the universe. 3 hours. Prerequisite: 9 hours of philosophy/religion courses *or* permission of instructor.

- 3323 HUMAN RELIGIOUS CONSCIOUSNESS
Investigation of the cross-cultural phenomenon of religion as a human event common to all societies. 3 hours.
Prerequisite: 9 hours of philosophy/religion courses *or* permission of instructor.
- 3900 SEMINAR IN BIBLICAL LITERATURE
In-depth study of selected writings from Old and New Testaments. 1-6 hours (may be repeated).
- 4590 HONORS RESEARCH
Arranged independent research culminating in original thesis paper and defense of position assumed. 1-3 hours. Prerequisite: 9 hours of philosophy/religion courses *or* permission of instructor.
- 4900 WORKSHOP
Related topics and problems in philosophic and religious thought. 1-3 hours (may be repeated for total of 6 hours with change in title and content).
- 4990 TUTORIAL
Independent study in philosophic and religious thought under faculty supervision. 1-3 hours (may be repeated for total of 6 hours with change in title and content).