Current Program Requirements

Master's Program

- 1.--Complete 30 hours of coursework in philosophy or philosophy-related fields (6 of these credits may come from thesis preparation work –PHIL 599)
- 2.--Completion of formal Logic requirement
 (B in PHIL 105 or 420, or B in equivalent class or exam during first year)
- 3.--Fulfillment of Language or Research Tool requirement (FLL 488, PHIL 591, Philosophy Dept. exam, approval of Grad Studies Director)
- 4.--Pass fall semester Comprehensive Examinations after first year of coursework (Ancient, Medieval, Modern, 19th Century Philosophy)
- 5.--Completion of Writing Requirement by end of second year of residence (MA Thesis or Terminal Masters 3-paper option)

Ph.D. Program

- 1.--30 hours of coursework beyond Master's (6 credits may come from dissertation research, 24 to qualify for Prelims)
- 2.--Completion of formal Logic requirement
 (B in PHIL 105 or 420, or B in equivalent class or exam during first year)
- 3.--Comprehensive Exam in History of Philosophy (end of first year; MA Comps fulfill requirement; appeals to Grad Committee)
- 4.--Fulfillment of language or research too requirement\
 (FLL 488, second language proficiency, two courses in research-related area)
- 5.--Pass fall semester Preliminary Exams after second year of coursework (five section thematic exam)
- 6.--Admission to Candidacy form filed six months before expected graduation
- 7.--Dissertation Prospectus Defense
- 8.--At least 24 credits (one year) of Dissertation credits (600) work
- 9--Dissertation Defense

New Ph.D. Program Requirements (recommended)

- 30 hours of coursework beyond Master's, observing distribution requirements (one course each in Asian, Ancient/Medieval, Modern, 19th/20th century --in 19th and 20th century philosophy, one American and one Continental (6 credits may come from dissertation research, 24 to qualify for Prelims
- 6. Pass Special Area/Special Thinker Exam from advisor, semester after Gen Prelim
- 7. Admission to Candidacy form filed six months before expected graduation
- 8. Dissertation Prospectus Defense within one semester of Special Prelim Exam

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