

CORE	[PSc 120 Govt:U.S./Sta/Loc]	3
CORE	[Math 125 Contemporary Math]	3
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2nd Semester		
CORE	[Eng 102 Comp II]	3
CORE	[Hist 110 U.S. History]	3
CORE	[Phys 100 Fund of Phys Sci]	5
PLS 210	Law Office Management	3
PLS	Upper Division Elective	3
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Sophomore Year		
1st Semester		
CORE	[Soc 110 or Psy 100]	3
CORE	[Bio 101 General Biology]	4
CORE	[Humanities and Fine Arts]	3
PLS	Upper Division Electives	6
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2nd Semester		
CORE	[Hist 120 U.S. History]	3
CORE	[Comm 100 Oral Communication]	3
CORE	[Literature]	3
CORE	[Humanities and Fine Arts]	3
PLS 491	Internship	3
PLS	Upper Division Elective	3
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[Department Recommendations]

Suggested electives are Civil Litigation; Family Law; Property; Wills, Trusts and Probate.

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PLS 311 (S, Odd) 3 hrs. cr.
Property
 Laws relating to real and personal property with emphasis on the procedures and forms used in real estate transactions and conveyances such as deeds and contracts.

PLS 312 (S, Even) 3 hrs. cr.
Civil Litigation
 Process of civil litigation from filing to appeal including rules for instituting and conducting lawsuits before federal and state courts, rules of procedure, and the preparation of pertinent legal forms.

PLS 320 (S, Even) 3 hrs. cr.
Family Law
 Laws regulating marriage, adoption, divorce, division of property, child custody and support, adult abuse, and termination of parental rights, and the preparation of pertinent legal forms.

PLS 401 (F, Even) 3 hrs. cr.
Wills, Trusts, and Probate
 Law of wills, trusts, and intestate succession; includes analysis of the administration and probate of estates and the preparation of pertinent legal forms.

PLS 491 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Internship
 An applied internship of 135 hours done under the supervision of a practicing professional who is directly engaged in a day-to-day application of the law (i.e. judges, attorneys, government officials) as approved by department head. Prerequisite: 12 hours of paralegal studies and/or consent of instructor.

PLS 498 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Advanced Topics in Paralegal Studies
 Comprehensive analysis and review of selected legal topics to be announced when course is offered. Prerequisite: 9 hours of paralegal studies or consent of instructor.

PLS 499 1-2-3 hrs. cr.
Independent Study
 Study and research by the student under the direction and supervision of instructor/adviser with prior approval by department head and school dean. Prerequisites: Advanced standing in the major field and a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Course Descriptions

PLS 201 (F) 3 hrs. cr.
Introduction to Legal Assistance
 American legal system with emphasis on the roles, skills, and tasks of the paralegal. Topics include professional ethics, client interviewing, and legal analysis.

PLS 210 (S, Odd) 3 hrs. cr.
Law Office Management
 Management and operation of the law office with emphasis on the practical aspects of processing cases, office workflow, billing, and attorney-client and personnel relationships. Topics include the legal team, the attorney-client relationship, legal fees, timekeeping, filing, and records management.

PLS 298 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Topics in Paralegal Studies
 Special topics of current interest to the student. Subjects are changed each semester. Students are encouraged to submit areas of interest to the Social Science Department.

PLS 302 (F, Odd) 3 hrs. cr.
Legal Research
 Research involved in case preparation; use of the law library and the various digests, encyclopedias, reporters, etc., contained therein.



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Philosophy deals with basic questions from all areas of life and thought—science, religion, art, morality, and politics—and helps students refine their views on these subjects. Most importantly, philosophy teaches students how to think: how to analyze problems into their essential elements, how to decide which proposed solution to a problem is supported by the best evidence, how to separate relevant from irrelevant points, and how to state issues clearly and precisely. While some philosophy students go to graduate school and become professional philosophers, most go on to careers in such areas as law, medicine, theology, business, government, and public service. Philosophy students are highly successful in gaining

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admittance to law schools, medical schools, graduate schools of management, and theological seminaries.

The Department offers a minor in philosophy, which consists of 18 credit hours. Students are required to complete a course in Critical Thinking (Phil 140), a course in Ethics (Phil 212, Phil 312, PSc 411 or a suitable Selected Topics Course) and two courses in the History of Philosophy (Phil 301 and 302). Two courses are elective, at least one of which must be at the 300 level or above.

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Course Descriptions

Phil 140 (S) 3 hrs. cr.
Critical Thinking
Introduction to logic, with special emphasis on common errors and fallacies in reasoning.

Phil 201 (F) (S, Honors) (SU, even) 3 hrs. cr.
Introduction to Philosophy
Comparative survey of major types of philosophy and of representative problems in philosophy. (Satisfies 3 hours of Core Curriculum requirements in Area 2C, Humanities and Fine Arts.)

Phil 212 (S, Odd) 3 hrs. cr.
Ethics
Exploration of the problems of value and personal moral standards, comparative survey of major ethical systems and evaluation of the chief ethical struggles in contemporary society. (Satisfies 3 hours of Core Curriculum requirements in Area 2C, Humanities and Fine Arts.)

Phil 298 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Topics in Philosophy
Studies in a variety of philosophical subjects. Topic open.

Phil 301 (F, Odd) 3 hrs. cr.
Ancient Philosophy
Historical study of ancient philosophy, with special emphasis on the writings of Plato and Aristotle. Prerequisites: 3 hours of philosophy or permission of instructor.

Phil 302 (S, Even) 3 hrs. cr.
Modern Philosophy *(Writing Intensive)*
A survey of the major schools of western philosophy from 1550 to 1850. Prerequisites: 3 hours of philosophy or permission of instructor and Eng 101 and 102 or 111.

Phil 312 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Biomedical Ethics
A comprehensive investigation of ethical problems relating to health care and the practice of medicine, including study of such issues as euthanasia and the right to die, abortion, confidentiality, patient rights and professional responsibilities, allocation of medical resources, and medical experimentation

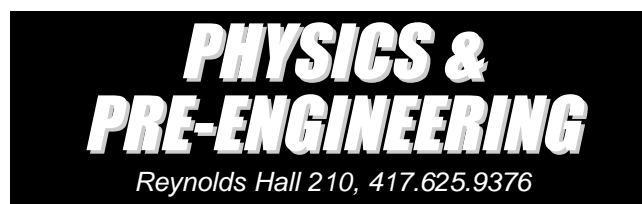
Phil 313 (Intersession) 2 hrs. cr.
Medical Ethics
An exploration focusing on recent important ethical problems relating to health care and the practice of medicine.

Phil 320 (F) 3 hrs. cr.
Comparative Religion
A philosophical and historical survey, emphasizing the world's major living religions. *(Meets Core Curriculum requirements in Area 5, International Cultural Studies.)*

Phil 420 (F, Even) 3 hrs. cr.
Philosophy of Science
Investigation of the nature and scope of scientific inquiry. Topics include the logic of scientific reasoning, the nature of scientific theories, the conceptual presuppositions of science, and the relation between the natural and social sciences.

Phil 498 (Demand) 3 hrs. cr.
Advanced Topics in Philosophy
Comprehensive analysis of selected topics in philosophy. For upper division students.

Phil 499 (Demand) 1-3 hrs. cr.
Independent Study
Individually directed study in selected areas for advanced students. Prerequisite: GPA of 3.0 in philosophy. Enrollment must be approved by adviser, department head, and school dean.



Faculty Sloan - Head, Chelf, Knapp, Marsh

Physics graduates obtain a strong diversified background in science and mathematics which will qualify them to enter various areas of employment in industry, government, or secondary education, or for entrance into graduate programs in physics, engineering and many other disciplines. Students who plan to do graduate work in engineering should, with the help of a faculty adviser, select their free electives in the area they plan to enter.

The physics area of the Physical Science Department participates in cooperative two-year pre-engineering programs which allow students to complete the first two years of an engineering degree at Missouri Southern and then transfer to an engineering school to complete the remaining two years of the degree. (See page 247).

Bachelor of Science with a Major in Physics

Major Code 1902

Physics (Engineering)

Major Code 1903

	Semester Hours
Core Requirements (p. 32) 51*	43
Physics Requirements	39
Phys 250 General Physics I**	2
Phys 260 General Physics II**	3
Phys 290 General Physics III**	4