

STUDY PLAN
PhD. (PHILOSOPHY)
(Thesis Track)

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1. GENERAL RULES CONDITIONS:

5. This plan conforms to the regulations of the general frame of the Program of graduate studies.
6. Areas of specialty of admission in this program:
 - Holders of the Master degree in any field of knowledge.

2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS: None.

3. THE STUDY PLAN: Studying (54) Credit Hours as follows:

1. Obligatory courses: ((21) Credit Hours:

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs.	Theory	Prac.	Pre-request
2303910	Methods in Contemporary Western Philosophy	3	3	-	-
2303911	Contemporary Philosophical Trends	3	3	-	-
2303912	Philosophy of Action in the Arab Islamic Heritage	3	3	-	-
2303913	Al-Ghazali and-Ibn-Rushd	3	3	-	-
2303914	Problems in Contemporary Arab Thought	3	3	-	-
2303915	Contemporary Trends in Hermeneutic Philosophy	3	3	-	-
2303916	Phenomenology and Existentialism	3	3	-	-

2. Elective Courses: Studying (15) Credit hours from the following:

Course No.	Course Title	Credit Hrs.	Theory	Prac.	Pre-request
2303917	Ethics and Science	3	3	-	-
2303918	Special Topic in Eastern Philosophy	3	3	-	-
2303919	Al-Farabi and his School	3	3	-	-
2303920	St. Thomas Aquinas	3	3	-	-
2303921	Philosophy of Science	3	3	-	-
2303922	Wittgenstein	3	3	-	-
2303923	Philosophical Texts in a Foreign Language	3	3	-	-
2303924	Late Islamic Philosophy	3	3	-	-
2303925	Meta-Ethics	3	3	-	-
2303926	Linguistic Logical Analysis	3	3	-	-
2303927	Habermas	3	3	-	-
2303928	Michel Foucault	3	3	-	-

3. Pass the qualifying Exam: (2303998)

4. Dissertation: (18) Credit hours(2303 999).

Course Description

2303910 METHODS IN CONTEMPORARY WESTERN PHILOSOPHY (3 cr)

A study of some major methods in contemporary Western philosophy: logical analysis, linguistic analysis, phenomenological method, structuralist method, deconstructive method, historical method, dialectic materialism and historical materialism.

2303911 CONTEMPORARY PHILOSOPHICAL TRENDS (3 cr)

A study of some contemporary philosophical trends: Logical empiricism, pragmatism, phenomenology, existentialism, structuralism, analytic philosophy, the critical theory of Frankfurt School, Marxism, post-modernity, philosophy of action, Feminist philosophy.

2303912 PHILOSOPHY OF ACTION IN THE ARAB ISLAMIC HERITAGE (3 cr)

The nature and structure of action; cause and reason, purpose and function; kinds of action : action by nature and by necessity, action by coercion and by will ; reason and action ; conditions of moral action; freedom and responsibility; action and value; norms of moral action.

2303913 AL-GHAZALI AND IBN-RUSHD (3 cr)

A Comparative study between Al-Ghazali in “The Incoherence of Philosophers” and Ibn-Rushd’ in “The Incoherence of Incoherence” ; their views and the relation to neo-Platonism and Gnosticism ; metaphysics of being ; God and the universe ; the problem of the world-oldness, the cause-effect relationship; the impact of Al-Ghazali and Ibn-Rushd on later philosophers (Moslems & Europeans).

2303914 PROBLEMS IN CONTEMPORARY ARAB THOUGHT (3 cr)

A study of some problematic issues in contemporary Arab thought such as : freedom, progress, democracy, heritage, social change, justice, values, human rights, woman right, the problem of nationality and unity , identity, religion and politics, the self and the other; secularism and religion , Al-shura and democracy , cultural confrontation and dialogue.

2303915 CONTEMPORARY TRENDS IN HERMENEUTIC PHILOSOPHY (3 cr)

A study of some major trends in contemporary hermeneutics such as phenomenological hermeneutics, ontological hermeneutics, critical hermeneutics, deconstructional hermeneutics, hermeneutics of the science. Together with texts representing these trends.

2303916 PHENOMENOLOGY AND EXISTENTIALISM (3 cr)

Husserl's phenomenology and its impact on Existential philosophy, an application of the phenomenological method in Heidegger's "Being and Time" and "Being and Nothingness" in Sartre or Merleau-Ponty's "Phenomenology of Perception". The impact of phenomenology on Sartre's science of "Existential Psychology" and Gadamer's "Hermeneutics".

2303917 ETHICS AND SCIENCE (3 cr)

A discussion of influential theories in moral philosophy in contemporary sciences: bioethics, environmental ethics, medical ethics, ethics and public life, Cloning, ethical dimension and the revolution of information.

2303918 SPECIAL TOPIC IN EASTERN PHILOSOPHY (3 cr)

A Study of two or more trends of philosophy in the ancient eastern: Taoism and Buddhism, Hinduism and Confucianism, Zoroastrianism and Manism, Sabism, Gantisism; beliefs in ancient Iraq and Egypt; issues of theology, nature, being, knowledge, man, society, system of the rule, the view-point about life including suffering, salvation and purity.

2303919 AL-FARABI AND HIS SCHOOL (3 cr)

Sources of his philosophy; his theory of being; metaphysics of emanation; nature and man; theory of knowledge; his theory of politics, society and morality; Al-Farabi School: his impact on Ibn-Sina, Sadr ad-din Shirazi, Ibn-Baja, Ibn-Tofail, Ibn-Rushd, Ibn-al-Sayed Al-Batlesee; his impact on the Christian European philosophy.

2303920 ST. THOMAS AQUINUS (3 cr)

Theology and philosophy; the Moslem impacts; the impact of STS on his philosophy; his theory of nature; proofs of God's existence; attributes and the relation with the self; his theory of creation; problem of evil; his theory of knowledge and the possibility of metaphysical knowledge; his theory of man, ethics, society and state.

2303 921 PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE (3 cr)

"A study of the main problems concerning the philosophies of natural and human sciences such as: scientific explanation, causality and determinism, laws and scientific theories, scientific revolutions; progress in scientific knowledge. truth and method, rationality and objectivity".

2303922 WITTGENSTEIN (3 cr)

A critical examination of Wittgenstein's early and later writings and their impact on logical positivism and linguistic analytic movement - "Tractatus logico-philosophicus", "Philosophical Investigations", "The Blue and Brown Books".

2303923 PHILOSOPHICAL TEXTS IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE (3 cr)

Relevant and selected readings from the history of philosophy and major writings of philosophers such as : Aristotle's "Metaphysics", Descartes' "Meditations", J.S.Mill's "Of liberty and Necessity", W.James' "Pragmatism", Fichte's "Address to the German Nation", Kant's "Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics"

2303924 LATE ISLAMIC PHILOSOPHY (3 cr)

This Course deals with Islamic philosophy after Avicenna and Averros as appears in the philosophy of Mirdamad, Sadr ad-din Shirazi, Mulla hadi Sabswari and said al-Nouri, their Metaphysics i.e the originality of essence and existence, their theory of physics and knowledge.

2303925 META-ETHICS (3 cr)

Distinction between object-language and meta-language. Logical analysis of moral judgement . Objectivism and subjectivism. Logical relation between "is" and "ought". Natural fallacy. Moral argument and its forms. Factual and logical relation between normative ethics and meta-ethics.

2303926 LINGUISTIC LOGICAL ANALYSIS (3 cr)

Emergence of the linguistic-logical analysis: (a) the role of linguistic and grammatical studies in theories of meaning. Analysis of the logic of metaphor, declarative and imperative statements.(b) Stoic logic. (c) Principles of Islamic Juriprudence "Fiqh"; Forms of linguistic logical analysis: transformation to artificial language (Russell), emotive current, prescriptive current, analysis of ordinary language, functional analysis; Relation between and critiques and interpretation of texts. (Hermeneutics); Applied models: analysis of metaphysical statements; Analysis of moral statements: value and ought judgements.

2303927 HABERMAS (3 cr)

A study of the major themes in Habermas's philosophy: the concept of the critical theory of society, knowledge and human interests, theory of social evolution, the

concept of public sphere, theory of communicative action, rationality, modernity, theory of communicative ethics.

**2303928 MICHEL FOUCAULT
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A study of the major themes in Foucault's philosophy : archaeology of knowledge , truth, power, the concept of self and man , history of sexuality, ethics and aesthetics of existence, the concept of discourse, civilization and madness, Foucault's influence on political philosophy and on feminist studies.

