

Diploma in Ethics

Admission Requirements:

Students must have a 3 or 4 year undergraduate degree. The program is designed for students who have degrees in areas other than Philosophy. While no particular background is presupposed, Diploma students are required to have writing skills sufficiently strong to write essays at the university level.

Module/Program Information

Program

The Diploma in Ethics is a program of study that may be completed full-time in one year or part-time over a number of years. The Diploma, offered through the Department of Philosophy, is designed as a response to a wide and growing interest in the ethical dimensions of professional and public life. The purpose of this program is to enable participants to strengthen and develop their understanding of ethics so as to enhance their ability to recognize and respond to ethical issues in a wide variety of social settings. The Diploma in Ethics will educate students in the essential concepts, central issues, history, and methodologies of ethical reasoning. The program also emphasizes critical thinking skills, writing skills and verbal skills. The program is geared towards students who have degrees in subjects other than Philosophy, and thus presupposes no prior background in ethics or Philosophy.

Requirements

5.0 courses:

0.5 course: Philosophy 2700F/G

3.5 courses in Ethics at the 2000 level or higher, drawn from Philosophy 2033A/B, 2035F/G, 2062F/G, 2065F/G, 2073F/G, 2074F/G, 2077F/G, 2078F/G, 2080, 2355F/G, 2356F/G, 2630F/G, 2710F/G, 2715F/G, 2720F/G, 2730F/G, 2800F/G, 2801F/G, 2810F/G, 2821F/G, 2822F/G, 3170F/G, 3180F/G, 3435F/G, 3710F/G, 3720F/G, 3810F/G, 4071F/G, 4072F/G, 4730F/G, the former 2023, the former 2071E, the former 2702F/G, the former 2703F/G.

1.0 courses in Philosophy at the 2000 level or higher.

Note: All Diploma students must take 5.0 courses as outlined in the program requirements. Courses taken as part of an undergraduate degree may not count towards the fulfillment of these requirements. Students who have satisfied any of the Diploma in Ethics requirements prior to entering the Diploma in Ethics program must consult with the Department of Philosophy to make appropriate course substitutions.

Progression/Graduation Requirements

A student must maintain at least a 70% average and obtain a mark of not less than 60% in each course to remain in the program and complete the prescribed program of studies with at least a 70% average and a mark of not less than 60% in each course.