



Minor in Philosophy Focusing on Language

We take our capacity to use language to communicate true and false things about the world for granted. We also take for granted that what we say stands in various logical relationships to other things that we say—as well as to what other people say. Our ability to make sense of each other as rational creatures and to engage successfully in the kinds of complex cooperative projects that we, as human beings, engage in seems to presuppose this. But what makes this all possible? How must we understand the nature of language, meaning, logic, the world, and, indeed, ourselves as language users in order to make sense of this possibility?

If these sorts of questions interest you, consider a minor in philosophy with a focus on the philosophy of language and logic. The requirements are simple: at least 12 credit hours in philosophy courses numbered 2000 or above. At least 3 of those hours must be in philosophy courses numbered 3000 or above, and at least 3 of those hours must be in philosophy courses numbered 3300 or above. Philosophy 2367 does not count towards your minor Program, although it may be used for GE purposes.

A sample program that would constitute a philosophy minor would consist of the following four courses:

Philosophy 2500:	Symbolic Logic
Philosophy 3530:	Philosophy of Logic
Philosophy 3600:	Introduction to Philosophy of Language
Philosophy 5600:	Advanced Philosophy of Language

There are many other combinations of courses possible and a minor can be tailored to your specific interests.