

## **New Major of Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Politics, and Law**

This new interdisciplinary major, unique of its kind the country, combines in a systematic and structured way basic education in philosophy, political theory, and elements of law. It should be of particular interest to students contemplating post-graduate work in law; those interested in a career in public service or politics; and those attracted by the rigor of philosophy, and its attention to foundational issues, who are also interested in politics and law. Students are exposed to a wide range of conceptual and methodological approaches, while learning enough philosophy and political science to leave a choice of options for graduate schools.

This new major at the USC College of Letters, Arts and Sciences will be available from the next academic year (2009/10). Students currently enrolled at USC may also apply for transferring to this major if they can complete the distribution requirements during their remaining years of study.

For further details please contact the School of Philosophy.

Faculty Advisor for this program: Professor Andrei Marmor

### The PPL Major Requirements

Nine classes, distributed as follows.

1. One lower-division class from the following list of classes:

PHIL 140g	Contemporary Moral and Social Issues
PHIL 141g	The Professions and the Public Interest in American Life
PHIL 262g	Mind and Self: Modern Conceptions
POSC 130g	Law, Politics, and Public Policy

2. One course in Logic

PHIL 350	Symbolic Logic
PHIL 351	Reasoning and Logic

3. One course in Philosophy of Law

PHIL 430	Philosophy of Law
PHIL 431	Law, Society, and Politics

4. One additional course in Moral and Political Philosophy

PHIL 335	Theoretical Models of Leadership
PHIL 337	History of Modern Political Philosophy
PHIL 340	Ethics
PHIL 437	Social and Political Philosophy
PHIL 440	Contemporary Ethical Theory
PHIL 442	History of Ethics to 1900

PHIL 443 Value Theory

5. One course in the History of Philosophy or a systematic area of Philosophy

History of Philosophy:

PHIL 300 Introduction to Philosophical Classics  
PHIL 315 History of Western Philosophy: Ancient Period  
PHIL 317 History of Western Philosophy: Medieval Period  
PHIL 320 History of Western Philosophy: Modern Period  
PHIL 423 The Critical Philosophy of Kant  
PHIL 426 20<sup>th</sup> Century European Philosophy  
PHIL 427 20<sup>th</sup> Century Anglo-American Philosophy  
PHIL 428 Anglo-American Philosophy since 1950

Systematic areas of Philosophy:

PHIL 360 Epistemology and Metaphysics  
PHIL 462 Philosophy of Mind  
PHIL 463 Theories of Action  
PHIL 465 Philosophy of Language  
PHIL 470 Theory of Knowledge

6. One course in Constitutional Politics

POSC 335 Political Parties, Campaigns, and Elections  
POSC 340 Constitutional Law  
POSC 426 The Supreme Court  
POSC 444 Civil and Political Rights and Liberties

7. One course in Comparative or International Politics and Law

ANTH 345 Politics, Social Organization, and Law  
POSC 345 International Law  
POSC 440 Comparative Law and the Judicial Process  
POSC 448a The Politics of Peace: Human Rights

8. One course in Politics, Law, and Public Policy

POSC 347 Environmental Law  
POSC 349 Women and the Law (Enroll in SWMS 349)  
POSC 395 Directed Governmental and Political Leadership Internship (4 units)  
POSC 443 Law in Film  
POSC 452 Critical Issues in Law and Public Policy

9. One course in the Gould School of Law

LAW 300 Basic Concepts in American Law

