Philosophy of Law (Minor)

The minor in Philosophy of Law is designed to expose students to the most important elements of legal philosophy while ensuring they have a substantive background in law and related areas of ethics and social/political philosophy. It is a highly desirable minor because it demonstrates to employers, graduate schools, and professional schools a willingness to engage in theoretical and practical reasoning in relation to the law.

Students can shape their minor in ways that complement their major fields of study. For example, History students might include HI 324: History of Common Law and Constitution or HI: 444 U.S. Constitutional History Since 1870 among their minor courses. Both Criminology or Sociology majors might include SOC 427. No courses for the minor may be taken for S/U credit.

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Plan Requirements

- The minor consists of 15 hours of credit (5 courses) including 9 hours of required courses, one course from three core areas (Legal Philosophy, Law, and Ethics/Political/Social Philosophy), and 6 hours of elective courses.
- A grade of C- or better will be required for all courses taken to fulfill the minor requirements.
- A maximum of 2 courses may be used (double-counted) towards major departmental requirements and/or requirements for any additional minor(s).
- Three (3) of the courses taken at NC State University must be at the 300-level or higher.
  The department will determine whether courses which have been transferred from other institutions qualify for the minor. No more than two courses from other institutions may count toward the minor.
- The minor advisor has the discretion to approve up to 6 credits of relevant law courses, not on the approved list, at the 300-level or higher taken at NC State as a minor elective.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
(1) Legal Philosophy		**3**
PHI 212	Ethical Problems in the Law	
PHI 312	Philosophy of Law	
(2) Law Course		**3**
AFS 455	History of the Civil Rights Movement	
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HI 324	History of Common Law and Constitution	
HI 325	Law and Society in European History	
HI 383	Law in the American Story	
HI 443	U.S. Constitutional History to 1883	
HI 444	U.S. Constitutional History Since 1870	
HI 455	History of the Civil Rights Movement	
HI 489	Topics in Legal History	
HI 543	U.S. Constitutional History to 1883	
HI 544	US Constitutional History Since 1870	
HI 555	History of the Civil Rights Movement	
PS 418	Gender Law and Policies	
SOC 427	Sociology of Law	
WGS 418	Gender Law and Policies	
(3) Ethics/Political/Social Philosophy		**3**
PHI 308	History of Social and Political Philosophy	
PHI 309	Political Philosophy	
PHI 319	Black Political Philosophy	
PHI 375	Ethics	
PHI 376	History of Ethics	
PHI 420	Global Justice	
PHI 520	Global Justice	
(4) Additional Philosophy/Logic Course. Choose one course not taken from (1) or (3) above, or one of the following:		**3**
LOG 201	Logic	
LOG 335	Symbolic Logic	
MA 335	Symbolic Logic	
PHI 214	Issues in Business Ethics	
PHI 221	Contemporary Moral Issues	
PHI 250	Thinking Logically	
PHI 227	Data Ethics	
PHI 325	Biomedical Ethics	
STS 325	Biomedical Ethics	
(5) Philosophy and Law Elective. Choose one course not yet taken from (1), (2), (3), or (4) above.		**3**
Total Hours		**15**