2025 - 2026 Old Dominion University Catalog Bachelor of Arts (BA) Philosophy with a Major in Political and Legal Studies

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students may re-order as needed.

* indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer.

Courses in green are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees).

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 110C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 111*	Literature	<u>Transfer Guide</u>
Philosophy and Ethics (Can be satisfied in the major by PHIL 303E, PHIL 344E, PHIL 355E or PHIL 442E)	Transfer Guide	Information Literacy and Research (Can be satisfied by PHIL 202G, PHIL 290G, REL 147G or REL 260G)	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture I	<u>Transfer Guide*</u>	Language & Culture II	Transfer Guide*
Human Behavior	<u>Transfer Guide</u>	Oral Communication	Transfer Guide
Mathematical Skills	<u>Transfer Guide</u>	Human Creativity	<u>Transfer Guide</u>
YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (32 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 211C or 231C (Grade of C or better required)	ENG 112, 113, 115, 131*	Impact of Technology (Can be satisfied with PHIL 383T)	Transfer Guide
The Nature of Science I	<u>Transfer Guide</u>	The Nature of Science II	Transfer Guide
Language & Culture III	<u>Transfer Guide</u>	Language & Culture IV	Transfer Guide
Interpreting the Past	<u>Transfer Guide</u>	Elective Coursework:***	
Elective Coursework:***		3-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course		3-credit elective course	
YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (30 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
Major Coursework:		Major Coursework:	
PHIL 301		PHIL 300	
European Foundations Course***		History of Philosophy Course***	
300-/400-level PHIL major course****		300-/400-level PHIL major course****	
Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**		Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
Elective Coursework: ***		Elective Coursework:***	
3-credit elective course		3-credit elective course	
YEAR 4 - SENIOR (28 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (13 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
Major Coursework:		Major Coursework:	
PHIL 340		PHIL 491W	
300-/400-level PHIL major course****		300-/400-level PHIL major course****	
300-/400-level PHIL major course****		Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:**	
<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Coursework:</u> **		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
300-/400-level course in minor subject		Elective Coursework:***	
Elective Coursework:***		3-credit elective course	
3-credit elective course		1-credit elective course	

^{**}Upper Division General Education may be satisfied by several options. Consult your advisor and catalog for options.

Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major, including prerequisite courses, 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University, completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or 221C or 231C, and a writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, and completion of Senior Assessment.

This four-year plan is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.

^{***}See course listings in catalog and consult with your advisor for correct elective choices.

^{****}Students are required to complete a minimum of 33 credit hours at 300-400 level (nine hours of which must be at the 400 level). Students must select one of the following three concentrations: General, Political and Legal Studies, Applied Ethics, or Religious Studies. Consult your catalog and advisor for your best option.