

Applied Ethics, Minor

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Do you revel in ambiguity and shades of gray? Choose a minor that allows you to work in areas where there is no one correct answer when studying individuals, organizations and society.

Description

Students who pursue the applied ethics minor have the opportunity to develop their critical thinking, reading and writing capacities while exploring philosophy and ethical theory. They do so in a manner that explicitly complements their major: by focusing their minor coursework on ethical concepts that are discipline-specific. This program provides students an opportunity to gain a humanistic perspective on a nonhumanities field of study such as health sciences, business and computer science, thereby adding nuance and depth to their educational experience.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [West Valley](#) or [Online](#)

Program requirements

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The minor in applied ethics consists of 18 credit hours of coursework, of which a minimum of 12 hours must be upper division. A minimum of six upper-division credit hours must be completed through courses offered by the School of Humanities, Arts and Cultural Studies. All courses must be completed with a minimum grade of "C" (2.00 on a 4.00 scale) or better. Program requirements include three credit hours of required courses and fifteen credit hours of electives. Students may complete their fifteen credit hours of electives from within one of the recommended tracks or from multiple areas.

Required -- 3 credit hours

IAS 406 / PHI 406 / FOR 406: Moral Dilemmas (L or HU) (3)

Applied Ethics Electives -- 15 credit hours

Complete five courses (15 credit hours) from within one track area or from multiple areas to meet the requirement. (15)

Bioethics Track

DST 322: Social and Cultural Implications of the Many Forms of Disability (3)

DST 458: Disability and Communication Advocacy (3)

IAS 340 / PHI 320 / BIO 312: Bioethics (HU) (3)

IAS 450 / PHI 450: Philosophical and Spiritual Issues in Death and Dying (3)

LSC 362: The Human Environment (3)

LSC 363: Genes, Race, Gender, and Society (3)

PHI 306: Applied Ethics (HU) (3)

PSY 447: Psychology of Aging (SB) (3)

SOC 400: Perspectives on Aging (SB) (3)

Environmental Ethics Track

IAS 407 / PHI 407: Environmental Philosophy and Policy (L or HU) (3)

IAS 409 / PHI 409: Eco-Community Ethics (HU) (3)

LSC 362: The Human Environment (3)

LSC 394: Environmental Disasters (3)

PHI 306: Applied Ethics (HU) (3)

PHI 310 / BIO 324: Environmental Ethics (HU) (3)

Business Ethics Track

ACO 402 / CIS 402: Privacy, Ethics and Compliance Issues (3)

IAS 407 / PHI 407: Environmental Philosophy and Policy (L or HU) (3)

IAS 409 / PHI 409: Eco-Community Ethics (HU) (3)

LES 305: Business Law and Ethics for Managers (3)

PHI 306: Applied Ethics (HU) (3)

PHI 360: Business and Professional Ethics (HU) (3)

POS 300: Contemporary Global Controversies (SB & G) (3)

Social Sciences and Ethics Track

DST 322: Social and Cultural Implications of the Many Forms of Disability (3)

DST 458: Disability and Communication Advocacy (3)

ENG 401: Topics in Critical Theory (3)

IAP 222: Games and Ethics (HU) (3)

IAS 417 / PHI 417: Philosophy of Censorship (L or HU) (3)

IAS 450 / PHI 450: Philosophical and Spiritual Issues in Death and Dying (3)

PAX 230: Introduction to Peace Studies (G) (3)

PHI 304: Existentialism (HU) (3)

[PHI 306: Applied Ethics \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PHI 307: Philosophy of Law \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PHI 439: Philosophy of Love and Sex \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PSY 447: Psychology of Aging \(SB\) \(3\)](#)
[SOC 400: Perspectives on Aging \(SB\) \(3\)](#)

Religion and Ethics Track

[CRJ 423 / FOR 413 / REL 413: Sacred Crimes: Religion and Violence \(G & H\) \(3\)](#)
[IAS 430: Science and Religion \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[IAS 450 / PHI 450: Philosophical and Spiritual Issues in Death and Dying \(3\)](#)
[PHI 303 / REL 300: The Future of Religions \(L or HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PHI 304: Existentialism \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PHI 306: Applied Ethics \(HU\) \(3\)](#)
[PHI 421: The Ethics of Belief \(3\)](#)
[REL 321: Religion in America \(\(L or HU\) & C & H\) \(3\)](#)
[REL 381: Religion and Moral Issues \(L or HU\) \(3\)](#)
[REL 390 / WST 390: Women, Gender and Religion \(HU & G\) \(3\)](#)
[REL 413: Sacred Crimes: Religion and Violence \(G & H\) \(3\)](#)

Prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.

Enrollment requirements

GPA Requirement: None

Incompatible Majors: BA in philosophy, religion and society

Other Enrollment Requirements: None

Current ASU undergraduate students may pursue a minor and have it recognized on their ASU transcript at graduation. Minor requirements appear on the degree audit once the minor is added. Certain major and minor combinations may be deemed inappropriate by the college or department of either the major program or the minor. Courses taken for the minor may not count toward both the major and minor.

Attend online

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may [view the program's ASU Online page](#) for program descriptions and to request more information.

Career opportunities

A minor in applied ethics can help students toward their career goals in the health sciences, law, business, technology, ministry, journalism, counseling, politics or education.

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