ASU is not currently accepting applications to this program.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: PHD Philosophy (History and Philosophy of Science)

The strength of ASU's PhD program in philosophy with a concentration in the history and philosophy of science is to bring philosophy, history and the study of science together. This degree program combines solid training in the core areas of philosophy with an emphasis on transdisciplinary studies of the sciences, and their:

- conceptual structure
- epistemology
- history
- impacts on society

The program is especially appropriate for students with a background in philosophy who seek to broaden their disciplinary studies with a historical perspective. Applicants will typically come from undergraduate programs that have included philosophical, historical, or history and philosophy of science training, or with a master's degree in one of those fields. Science students are eligible as well and will make up relevant undergraduate humanistic core courses during their first years.

Most graduates will seek a career based in philosophical or historical analyses of the sciences.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Tempe campus
Degree Requirements

84 credit hours, a written comprehensive exam, an oral comprehensive exam, a prospectus and a dissertation

Concentration (18 credit hours)

- history of science (3)
- philosophy of science (3)
- prospectus writing (3)
- research methods in the history and philosophy of science (3)
- topics in the history of science (3)
- topics in the philosophy of science (3)

Other Requirements (21 credit hours)

- advanced logic or approved equivalent (3)
- approved philosophy or other relevant courses (9)
- a course in history of philosophy (3)
- a course in value theory (3)
- HPS 615 Biology and Society Lab (3 hours, one credit each)

Electives or Research (33 credit hours)

Culminating Experience (12 credit hours)

HPS 799 Dissertation (12)

Admission Requirements

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