

Philosophy and English Literature

University of Edinburgh

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This joint programme gives you in-depth knowledge of Philosophy and English Literature.

In Years 1 and 2, you will take courses that introduce you to each subject area, and choose options from a range of disciplines.

At honours level (Years 3 and 4), you will select courses based on your interests so you can specialise in particular topics.

Year 1:

Year 1 courses will include topics in the following areas - Ethics, History of Philosophy (Western and non-Western traditions), Logic and Philosophy of Science.

You will take two Literary Studies courses which will introduce you to the essential skills needed for the critical close reading of the following core literary genres - poetry, drama and prose.

Year 2:

You will take courses in areas, such as - Epistemology, Metaphysics, Philosophy of Language and Philosophy of Mind.

You will study English literature in its cultural and historical contexts through a survey of literature from the late Medieval period to the mid-Twentieth Century.

Year 3:

In philosophy, these include topics related to areas of the subject, such as language, cognition and science, morality and value, knowledge and reality and history of philosophy.

You will choose honours-level courses based on your interests and our expertise that explore - different literary periods and various topics and genres within literature.

Year 4:

You will choose another four to six courses from the wide variety available. You will also complete either an honours dissertation or write two extended essays on topics of your choice.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

VQ53

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Department

Philosophy, Psychology and Language Sciences

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

5 Highers at AAAAA (by end of S5 preferred) including English.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (by end of S6) including English. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting.

SCQF Level

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