Master of Arts in Philosophy

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available online via the Open University ‘Student Policies and Regulations’ website at https://help.open.ac.uk/documents/policies.

Short title
MA Philosophy

Award letters
MA (Phil) (Open)

Entry requirements
An Honours degree conferred by a UK university or other recognised degree-awarding body, an equivalent qualification or experience. The subject content of your first degree must be acceptable to the Faculty Teaching Committee.

Maximum duration of study
10 years

Credit requirement
180 credits from 3 compulsory 60 credit modules
or
the 60 credit Part 1 module and the 120 credit Part 2 module

Maximum transferred credit
60 credits

Maximum age of credit transfer
10 years

Unique study requirement
60 credits

Classification
Distinction: a minimum of 90 module credits at Distinction grade which depending on the credit route completed must include either the 60-credit dissertation module or the 120-credit Part 2 module
Merit: a minimum of 90 module credits at Merit grade which depending on the credit route completed must include either the 60-credit dissertation module or the 120-credit Part 2 module
Additional rules
The dissertation must form the final credit for your degree. You may not take any other modules, resits or examinable component re-submissions together with the dissertation.

The classification scheme for this qualification was amended in July 2021.