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and health promotion are described, analyzed and applied to research and nursing practice. Elective.

**654 (2) Chronic Illness: Nursing Interventions**

This course is designed of post-baccalaureate nurses in all settings who desire advanced nursing care knowledge in order to work with individuals and families with chronic illness. Topics explored are chronic illness, inherent stressors, current research, nursing management, program, organizations, policy, and care delivery issues. Elective.

**677 (1-5) Individual Study**

The course provides students with the opportunity to plan, develop, and create their own course which is meaningful to the outcomes of the advanced practice nursing roles. Approval by faculty members is needed.

**698 (1-3) Clinical Project**

Course provides students with opportunity to investigate a problem or question related to their area of nursing practice. Students work with a nursing faculty advisor in writing the project and preparing to disseminate results of the project. With the advisor's and committee's approval the project is submitted for oral defense as part of the requirements for the MSN degree.

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**699 (1-4) Thesis**

Course provides students with opportunity to focus on a research problem that is related to their area of nursing practice. Students work with a nursing faculty advisor in writing the thesis and preparing to disseminate results of the study. With the advisor's and committee's approval the thesis is submitted for oral defense as part of the requirements for the MSN degree.

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## PHILOSOPHY

*College of Arts and Humanities*

*Philosophy Department*

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Chair: Hal Walberg, MA

Cathryn Bailey, Ph.D., John Humphrey, Ph.D.,

Richard Liebendorfer, Ph.D., Ron Yezzi, Ph.D.

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Philosophy courses at Minnesota State University can be taken to supplement other disciplines. No graduate degree in philosophy is available; however, certain courses may be applicable for elective credit.

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### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

**510 (3) Philosophy of Language**

Theories of meaning, speech acts and semantics, relation of language to the world.

**537 (3) Contemporary Philosophy**

Major philosophers and philosophies of the late 20th Century.

**550 (3) Special Topics**

Intensive study of a single philosopher or topic.

**555 (3) Existentialism and Phenomenology**

In-depth analysis of major European existentialists such as Kierkegaard, Heidegger, and Sartre.

**560 (3) Philosophy of the Arts**

Aesthetic principles, theories, and the creative process. Theories of visual arts, music, literature, dance, etc.

**573 (3) Knowledge & Reality**

analysis of the status and justification of claims about the nature and limits of human knowledge and the nature of what may be held to be real.

**574 (3) Philosophy of the Mind**

The nature of consciousness, mind and body relations, and the free will of action.

**580 (3) Philosophy of Science**

Nature of explanations, causality, theoretical entities, and selected problems.

**590 (1-6) Workshop**

Special event of less than semester duration.

**591 (1-6) In-Service**

**677 (1-6) Individual Study**

Individual study of a philosopher or problem.

**691 (1-6) In-Service**

Individual service project

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## PHYSICAL EDUCATION MA

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION MS

(DISCIPLINE-BASED)

*College of Allied Health and Nursing*

*Human Performance Department*

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Chair: Harry Krampf, Ph.D.

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The strength of the graduate programs in the Department of Human Performance at Minnesota State University rests in flexibility. There are opportunities for students to pursue either the Master of Arts or the Masters of Science degree in Physical Education. The pro-