

Philosophy



What is the nature of reality? What is knowledge? Is my will free? What is the difference between right and wrong? What is the relation between the mind and the body? What is the meaning of life? Philosophers use reason and argument in the attempt to answer these questions. If this interests you, then explore a major or a certificate in philosophy at UW-Eau Claire!

Major

- **Philosophy** - Liberal Arts

Minor

- **Philosophy** - Liberal Arts

Certificate

- **Ethics**

Where you'll find our grads

- Criminal Defense Attorney, Stichert Stichert; Chili, WI
- Registered Nurse, Mayo Clinic Health System; Eau Claire, WI

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- Third Party Risk Analyst, Bremer Financial
- Trainer, U.S. Bancorp; Eau Claire, WI
- Job Coach, Community Sport Network
- Winemaker/Owner, Infinity Beverages (Eau Claire, WI)
- Physician Compensation Manager, Aurora Health Care; Milwaukee, WI

Prepared for Success

Positions held by philosophy graduates include researcher, policy analyst, youth minister, teacher, and development or program manager. Graduates have also continued education at law school or graduate school in various fields.

As a Philosophy major, you'll develop strong analytical reasoning, problem-solving and communication skills that

will make you extremely valuable to employers, as well as broaden your intellectual horizons and enhance your capacity for self-expression. A major in philosophy is excellent preparation for a career in the law and for almost any career you can think of.

Think philosophy isn't practical? Think again. Looking at midcareer salaries, Philosophy majors on average earn what accounting majors earn and outearn advertising, marketing, communications, psychology, chemistry and nursing majors, to name a few. A major in Philosophy is an excellent preparation for graduate study in a variety of areas. On average, Philosophy majors consistently outperform all other majors on the qualitative reasoning and analytical writing portions of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and are among the highest scorers on the Law School Admission Test (LSAT), the Graduate Management Aptitude Test (GMAT) and the Medical College Aptitude Test (MCAT).

Why UW-Eau Claire

Faculty Experts

The philosophy faculty are dedicated to student learning and committed to active, engaged scholarship

Research Opportunities

As a Philosophy major or minor, you have the opportunity to participate in faculty-mentored research projects; to intern in philosophy courses at a local high school; to engage in directed, independent study of topics of special interest to you; and to present your original research to the university

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community.

First-Year Suggested Curriculum

- Basic Philosophical Issues
- Ethical Reasoning
- Logic and Critical Thinking
- Ancient Philosophy