

# **Department of Philosophy and Humanities**

## **Undergraduate Degree Programs**

- **Philosophy Major (Justice, Ethics, and Law Concentration), B.A./B.S.**
- **Philosophy Major (Philosophy and Religious Studies Concentration), B.A./B.S.**
- **Philosophy Major (Philosophy Concentration) B.A./B.S.**
- **Humanities Minor**
- **Philosophy Minor**
- **Religious Studies Minor**

## **Careers in Philosophy and Humanities**

A Philosophy major delivers highly marketable, transferable skills for a career that requires critical thinking, writing, speaking, and analytical abilities. Graduates find immediate employment in business, non-profit organizations, government, journalism, public administration, education, and social advocacy groups. Many graduates go on to professional school and pursue careers in law, medicine, teaching, and library science. Some go to graduate school in philosophy. Many students pursuing the religious studies concentration go on to seminary to pursue the M.Div. degree.

Recent graduates have attended law school at the University of Chicago, Washington & Lee University, and the University of Tennessee, and divinity school at Wake Forest University. Other recent graduates are working at non-profit organizations, as software engineers, and in business.

For more career information associated with this program, visit the Occupational Outlook Handbook (OOH) at [bls.gov/ooh/](https://bls.gov/ooh/).

## **Program Highlights**

The program offers students the opportunity to work closely with faculty and complete a major research paper. The department has an Honors-in-Discipline (HID) program in Philosophy, which is a specially designed, in-depth program. HID scholars receive special advising and are eligible for special scholarships. Graduates of a HID program receive an honors medallion at graduation and transcript recognition.

## **Points of Interest**

- The Department of Philosophy & Humanities offers courses in core areas such as ethics and political philosophy, metaphysics and epistemology, and the history of philosophy, as well as specialty courses such as philosophy of law, philosophy of science, existentialism, bioethics, philosophy of art, philosophies of feminism, environmental philosophy, and philosophy of religion.
- Many students pair philosophy with a second major in a complementary field such as Political Science, Economics, English, History, or Biology.
- The Philosophy Club is a student organization dedicated to promoting student discussion of philosophy and hosts regular events such as movie screenings, discussion groups, faculty presentations with Q&A sessions, and topical panel discussions open to the public.
- The department is a co-sponsor of the annual Justice, Health, and Humanities Lecture with the College of Public Health.

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